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Two brothers, John George and Philip Ludwig,  
who emigrated from Hesse-Darmstadt, Germany

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the Ludwig Family in the U. S. A.



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## PREFACE

The author had a very definite purpose in mind when he compiled this history, mainly to preserve the genealogy of these two branches of the Ludwig Family.

The cause of this was when he was called upon by the Historical Society of Montgomery County, Norristown, Pa., to help locate the families of a couple who moved to Illinois many years ago. The families of the two clans were located and they knew such a marriage took place, but none of their family Bibles went back that far. Nobody had the foresight to place the family history with the Historical Society. The church records were lost when St. Peter's Lutheran Church burned down. So, eleven children in Illinois would like to know what families they came from and will never be able to find out.

The author was consulted because he was the Church Historian and compiled the history of St. Peter's Lutheran Church, Barren Hill, for their 200th Anniversary, which had never been previously written. When the author considered these two branches of the Ludwig family, how they were already scattered over more than a dozen States, and no complete history had ever been written; how a considerable branch was in Indiana, and another in California, he undertook to write as complete a history as possible to preserve the genealogy, and more especially to emphasize the achievements of the individual members of the present generation and the growing importance and numbers of these two branches of the Ludwig Family of Chambersburg.

He is grateful for the cooperation especially of the distant members in compiling this history.

A copy is placed with the State Library of Sacramento, California, the Indiana State Library, Indianapolis, Indiana, and the Montgomery County Historical Society, Norristown, Pa., the Kittochtinny Historical Society of Chambersburg, Pa., and the Historical Society of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia.

Some years ago the Research Bureau of the U. S. Government published a manuscript history of the name and family of LUDWIG — a genealogical and historical study of the family from earliest times. It recorded the origin and growth of the family in Europe; its place among the gentry there; its part in the early settlement and subsequent history of America, including service in the Revolution; and its achievements and leading representatives in this country. The derivation and meaning of the name was traced; recurrent family traits were brought out; and genealogical data on various lines set forth, as well as the authoritative description of a LUDWIG coat of arms.

There is a reunion of the Ludwig Family every year in Pennsylvania, usually in Amity, Bucks County. No matter which State they come from, there is one characteristic for which they are noted, and that is their beautiful brown eyes.

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*Family Historian*



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## Ludwig - Lewis

ARMS—Three bars azure, interlaced by a pike in blue gules (or sable), head downwards.

CREST—An eagle's wing, or charged as in arms; colors: azure, red and gold.

MOTTO—Incorruptible, literally "cannot be bribed."

Coat of arms used by a branch of the family, and also used in Southern Germany, and is listed in the Numismatic and Antiquarian Society of Philadelphia published by Bailey, Banks and Biddle, the well-known silversmiths and heraldic stationers of Philadelphia. Some listed are: Johann Andreas Philipp Ludwig, born at Crailsheim, Wurtemberg, June 20, 1753; came to America in 1777, where he subsequently Anglicized his name to Lewis; an officer in the Anspach regiment of Yagers, and served in the American Revolution; settled in Philadelphia, Pa., where he practiced as a conveyancer.

Peter Ludwig, born in castle of Morstein in free imperial city of Hall, Suabia, born January 4, 1625.

Another who Anglicized his name to Lewis was John Frederick Lewis of Philadelphia, member of firm of Weir, Lewis & Co. Married January 1, 1812.

William H. Ludwig, Jeweler, Chambersburg, Pa., 1862-1924, engaged a genealogist to find the coat-of-arms for the family. This is the one selected by the genealogist.



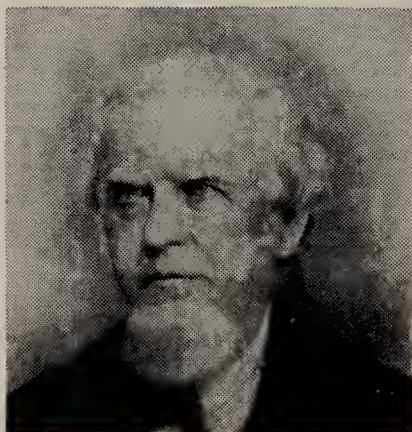


Lichtenberg Castle, Hesse-Darmstadt, Germany, birthplace of George Henry, 1782-1831. Now a famous health resort.



Ev. Lutheran Church in Nieder-Modau. Three Ludwig ancestors were Pastors. Line starts with Pastor George Ludwig. Church built in 1225 and still standing.

Ev. Lutheran Church in Lichtenberg where Ludwig family attended and John George and Philip were baptized.



John George Ludwig, 1811-1887. Emigrated 1832 from Lichtenberg Village.

Mary Shane, wife of John George. Emigrated from Rohrbach Village, Germany.



Henry Ludwig

Jacob D. Ludwig  
Attorney

George Ludwig  
1841-1875

Children of John George and Mary Shane Ludwig





Martin Ludwig  
Second child of John George  
and Mary Shane Ludwig.



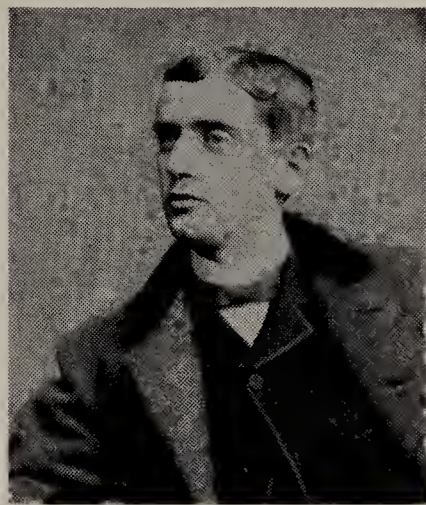
Louisa Lehner  
Wife of Martin Ludwig.



Four generations: Elizabeth  
Lehner, Louisa Lehner Lud-  
wig, Emma Ludwig (Ear-  
hart), Vera Earhart (Smythe).



Vera Earhart (Smythe)  
Daughter of Emma and  
Barclay Earhart.



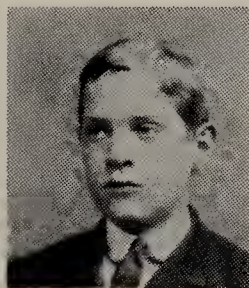
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Son of Martin and Louisa.



Annie May Marshall  
Wife of H. Stoner Ludwig.



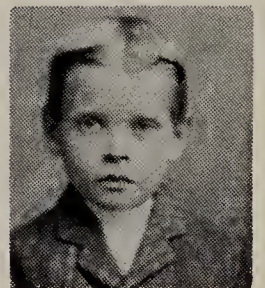
Hilda (Miles)



Earle Ludwig



Edith (Steinbach)



Harry Ludwig

Children of H. Stoner and Annie M. Marshall



Norman C. Ludwig  
Son of C. Wallace,  
electrical engineer,  
expert on cements.

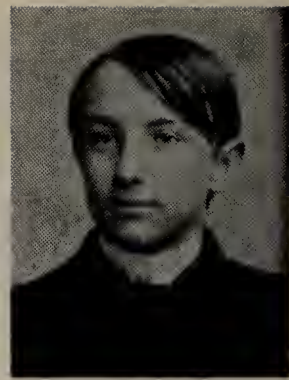
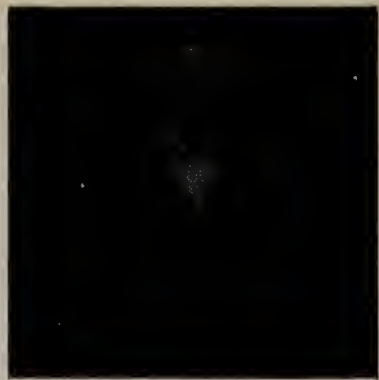


Ruth Eleanore Lathrop  
Wife of Norman C.  
Ludwig, school teacher.



Sons of Norman and  
Ruth: Richard Eugene  
and Kenneth Leon.

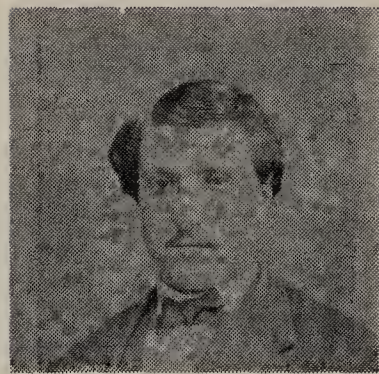
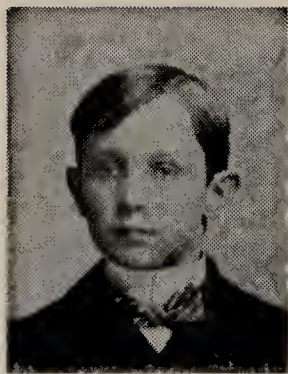




George Washington Ludwig, 1856-1902. Jeweler. Son of John Ludwig.

William H. Ludwig, 1862-1924. Son of John Ludwig. Jeweler.

Son of Wm. H. Ludwig. Walter Dessem, 1884-1951. Forester - Jeweler.



George Russell Ludwig, 1887-1950. Son of Wm. H.

Charles Ludwig, 1848-1914. Son of John George

Emma Wagner Ludwig. Wife of Charles, 1854-1884.



George Hull Bitner  
1879-1937

Amelia Charlotte Ludwig  
wife of George H. Bitner,  
daughter of Charles and  
Emma Wagner Ludwig.

George A. Ludwig  
Historian, wife Grace  
Alda, son Albert Noel.



Charles Wallace Ludwig, 1875-1953, son of Charles & Emma Wagner Ludwig.

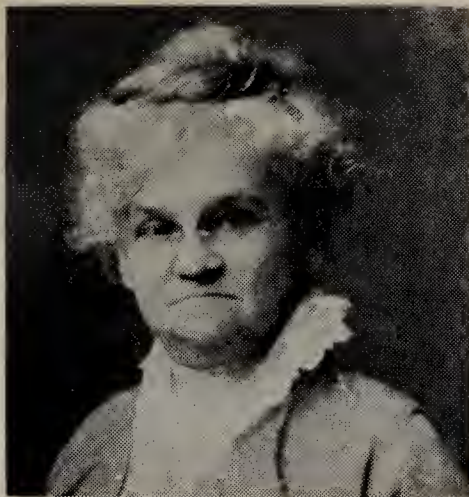
Mary Brallier Ludwig  
wife of A. Russell Stepler,  
daughter of Charles and  
Emma Wagner Ludwig.

Frédéric Wagner Ludwig, 1876-1947, son of Charles and Emma Wagner Ludwig.





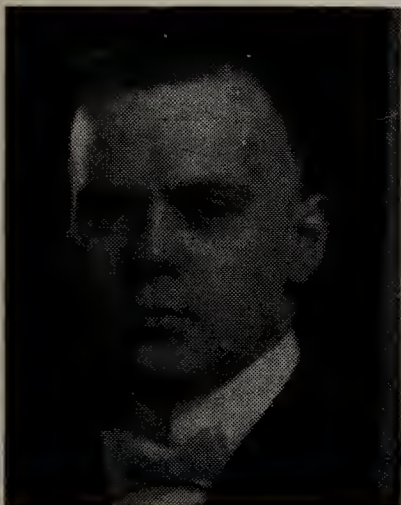
Rev. Casimir Bowman Ludwig,  
1851-1911, son of John George.



Margaret L. Keller  
wife of Casimir B. Ludwig



Oscar Dennen Ludwig, phy-  
sician & surgeon, son of Casi-  
mir & Margaret K. Ludwig.



Harold Freeman Lud-  
wig, civil engineer, son  
of Casimir B. and Mar-  
garet K. Ludwig.



Casimir B. Ludwig, Jr., 1893-1942  
Wife Cecile Hindman. Dentist.



Mary Keller Ludwig,  
daughter of Casimir B. &  
Margaret K. Ludwig.  
Wife of H. F. Osler.



George Daniel Ludwig, son of Casimir B.  
and Margaret K. Ludwig. Wife, Floy Hogg.



Golden Wedding Anniversary, June 14, 1948,  
of George Daniel and Floy H. Ludwig.  
Front row: Dorothy (Symington) and Harold Ludwig,  
children Carolee and Barbara, Cletus Charles Burns (husband  
of Irene Ludwig), Elaine Du Grosse, granddaughter. Stand-  
ing, second row: Irene Ludwig Burns, Dorothy Ludwig Du-  
Grosse, George Daniel, Sr., wife Floy (Hogg) L. and Gert-  
rude. George Daniel, Jr., back of Cletus Burns, Walter L.  
and son Dan. Back row: Marjorie Ludwig Clifford, Jean L.  
(daughter of Dorothy L. and John Du Grosse), Feri, wife of  
Walter Keller L. and James Bayard Ludwig.





Front row, left to right, seated—Nevin, Dorothy, Walter, Mrs. Amelia C. Ludwig Bitner, George, Frieda, Richard Sr., Audrey. Back row, standing—Carrie Bitner, Jane, Gini, Richard Jr., Dirk Nimwegen, Miss Joan, Garrett Nimwegen, Joan (Mrs. Richard, Sr.), Horace Richmond. Children, left to right — Ronnie, Donald, Jay, Mack.



Line of Charles  
Kathryn Bingham Ludwig  
(Warner) daughter of  
Frederick W. Ludwig.



Line of Charles  
Wallace Frederick Ludwig.  
Son of Frederick Wagner  
Ludwig.



Line of Charles  
Helen Marie Stepler (Strait)  
Daughter of Mary Brallier  
Ludwig and A. Russell Stepler.



# ANCESTORS OF LUDWIG FAMILY AT NIEDER-MODAU

## PART I

The ancestors of the LUDWIG family that settled in Chambersburg, Pennsylvania, originally came from Eisenach, Thuringia, Germany, and are recorded in the Register of Records of marriages of the Evangelical Lutheran Vicarage at Nieder-Modau, and dates back to 1650. The first LUDWIG on the record is CASIMIR, born in Eisenach. Then his son ANTON LUDWIG also born in Eisenach.

The name of LUDWIG appears for the first time at Nieder-Modau in 1666. On June 24, 1665, GEORGIUS LUDOVICI (Latin meaning GEORGE LUDWIG) of Eisenach in Thuringia was introduced as a Pastor at Nieder-Modau, while the schoolmaster SCHLOSSER of Darmstadt presented him to the congregation of his pastorate, after GEORGE LUDWIG had been a schoolmaster at Gross-Bieberau from 1664 to 1666. Members of the family of that Pastor GEORGE LUDWIG settled also in the local parish, and his descendants have continued living here. Pastor GEORGE LUDWIG died on May 13, 1700. All persons bearing the name of LUDWIG have that Pastor GEORGE LUDWIG as their ancestor.

His first wife was Anna Marie who was born at Nieder-Modau January 2, 1642.

On January 28, 1675, he married ELIZABETH OLDENDORF, born at Nieder-Modau 1647 and died there August 26, 1720. She was the daughter of Konrad Oldendorf (descendant of the Evangelical Lutheran Pastor John Oldendorf at Nieder-Modau). Pastor George Ludwig's son is:

PHILIP FREDERICK—Born in Nieder-Modau January 13, 1671.  
Died April 18, 1747.

On March 10, 1698, he married at Nieder-Modau the widow DOROTHY HOCH (born BEIL—English, hatchet or ax) in Brandau 1668, died in Nieder-Modau February 3, 1733; daughter of John Jacob Beil and Dorothea. Philip Frederick's son is:

PHILIP born in Nieder-Modau December 20, 1698, died February 23, 1795 from asthma. On May 3, 1725 he married ANNA THOMAS, born in Nieder-Beerbach, at Darmstadt, October 5, 1703; died in Nieder-Modau May 5, 1764. They had 6 children. Philip's son is:

GEORGE HENRY—(Tailor) Born in Nieder-Modau November 6, 1729. Died February 23, 1795.

On November 26, 1750, he married ANNA-KATHARINE KONIG (English King) born at Wallbach (Odenwald in Darmstadt — a range of mountains) January 1727, and died at Nieder-Modau March 28, 1786. Daughter of John King. They have 5 children. George Henry's son is:

PHILIP ADAM—Born at Nieder-Modau on March 24, 1752. Died November 21, 1785.

On April 3, 1781 he married ANNA-KATHARINE POTH, born at Nieder-Modau, February 19, 1759, and died on July 18, 1842. She was a descendant of Pastor Ewald Poth, the *first* Evangelical Lutheran Clergyman at Nieder-Modau, 1527 to 1549. As her husband had passed away early in his life, she remarried for the second time on May 15, 1787, to John Peter German, who was born at Brandau (Odenwald) in 1755 and died in Nieder-Modau February 1, 1795. He was *first guard*.

She remarried for the third time on June 23, 1796, to John Adam Germann (brother of John Peter) a *guard*, born in Brandau, July 9, 1762, and died in Nieder-Modau December 11, 1839. Son of PHILIP ADAM and ANNA K. POTH is:

GEORGE HENRY—Born in Lichtenberg Castle in 1782. Died August 8, 1831.

He was a soldier of the Life Guards, went to Hesse-Darmstadt and became a citizen and Beadle (a uniformed officer — one who proclaims or summons, a herald, messenger, carrier) at the Grand-Ducal court).

We are indebted for much of this foregoing history to John Young, a retired schoolteacher and genealogist. During World War II, in an air raid, the books containing the Register of Records of Marriages were destroyed. Fortunately, John Young had copied those records! The Church books of the Evangelical Pastorate of Nieder-Modau are available now as originals only from the year 1808 on.

Mr. Young states that the Records start with the year 1650;



that there are still persons with the name LUDWIG in Nieder-Modau and its environs. He had school boys by that name, and that there are in the family book of Nieder-Modau 44 families with the name LUDWIG!

The Christian names, Philip, George, Jacob, John, Peter, Henry, Adam, Alfred and others are usual, but not the name Casimir.<sup>15</sup>

Peter Brunner, residing many years at S. Main St., Chambersburg, knew George Henry Ludwig in Lichtenberg Hesse-Darmstadt. Told the author that he had a position in connection with the German Courts.

George Henry married Anne Margaret Eisenbach, Lichtenberg, only daughter of the Grand-Ducal Beadle, John Eisenbach, of the Evangelical Lutheran Church there.<sup>14</sup>

GEORGE HENRY served 13 years under Napoleon; he was with the army at Moscow when Napoleon invaded Russia, and returned in safety, but two of his brothers perished in that disastrous campaign. After his return to civil life he was made Court Warden under the Grand Duke of Hesse-Darmstadt. He was hurt in athletic exercises and died in consequence.<sup>1</sup>

Dr. Weber, in charge of the Museum in Lichtenberg Castle, says George Henry was Chief Warden (Inspector and Forester).

Through Col. Lorin K. Johnson, the author received some pictures of the castle and the town of Lichtenberg. Here is a quotation from the Burgomaster of Lichtenberg: "I hope that your friend will be pleased with the pictures. Will you please inform your friend that the family LUDWIG is still residing in Lichtenberg as farmers. Should Mr. George A. Ludwig come to Germany, we would be happy to welcome him in the homeland of his ancestors. The castle of Lichtenberg was built during the years 1570-1581 by Landgraf George I of Hesse and was used as a summer residence by the counts. It is a Renaissance structure and is very well maintained. I hope that the pictures will please you and your friend. Sincerely, Kraft, Burgomaster."

## Nieder-Modau

Nieder-Modau is located by a small stream, (the Modau) 15 miles from Darmstadt. It is a small valley bounded by rather large hills banked on one side by the forest Odenwald and River Rhein. The village's population numbers 1000, of which

725 are Protestant and 275 Catholic. Formerly all Protestant, some war refugees that sought refuge were Catholic. Transportation by bus to Darmstadt is adequate.

Nieder-Modau was founded about 800 B.C. and a church was established at that time on a hill bearing the name Kirch Berg ("Church Hill") to this day. In 1200 the church was built in the village, and this church finished in 1220 still stands. An addition with steeple was added in 1725 because of damage sustained by the church during the 30 years war. At the end of the war, there were only 55 inhabitants in the village, and 9 of these lived in Nieder-Modau. Your ancestor was the first pastor in Nieder-Modau after the 30 years war, and after there had been no pastor for nearly 30 years. After the population increased and prosperity increased, the church was rebuilt.<sup>16</sup>

The name MODAU is first mentioned in the year 804 and was called MUDAH. In 1382 the name was MUDAW. In 1423, MODACH. This entire section was settled long before the birth of Christ. For example, the Celts who were displaced by the Germanncens were pushed West; after the battle at Zulprich in the year 496, the Franks were the victors.

As early as the year 800 a small church was erected in Nieder-Modau, a frame structure. This church was used until 1200 when this building was dismantled. Of this building nothing was left, but must have been standing high on the church lot.

The new church was built in 1220 (see picture section) on the highest point in the village, and is still used today. This church was the first church built for the congregation, as the first church was on the property of the Count of Wallbrum and was only used by the family and staff of the castle. The rest of the inhabitants had to use the church in Nieder-Modau until 1872.

In 1707 the church was insuch a state of wreck that the Pastor, Petrus Salfeld, asked personally for the building of a new church. This was after the 30 years war and the inhabitants were too poor. However, they decided to enlarge and revamp the church. The tower was set from the West to the East, and the church was enlarged about 30 feet and a new entrance was made. As it was renovated it stands today. Pastor Lehr started new renovations in 1954, and in 1955 he started the plastering. This year the renovations should be finished.

This history together with a picture of the church appeared in the German newspaper and was sent to the author by Pastor Lehr.



## Evangelical Lutheran Church at Nieder-Modau

Evangelical Lutheran Church at Nieder-Modau built in 1220 and still stands. An addition with steeple was added in 1725. Pastors were real power in the community. Three ancestors of Ludwig family were pastors of this church. Pastor Ewald Poth, the *first* Evangelical Lutheran clergyman at Nieder-Modau, 1527 to 1549.

Pastor John Oldendorf.

Pastor George Ludwig (Georgius Ludovici), 1666-1700, who settled in Nieder-Modau, and whose descendants have continued living there. He came from Eisenach in the neighborhood of Wartburg Castle where Martin Luther was kept in protective custody and where he translated the Bible.

## Lichtenberg Castle

Already at the beginning of the 13th century, the castle Lichtenberg was in existence. (See *picture section*) Count Diether IV from the family of Von Katzenellenbogen, established in this area, who had first removed his place of residence to Lichtenberg in 1228, named himself Count of Lichtenberg. The Count Von Katzenellenbogen died in 1479, and the over earldom Katzenellenbogen came through marriage to the Landgraves Von Hessen, who had their place of residence in Darmstadt.

"Philip I, the Magnanimous" succeeded his father William in 1509, divided his dominions in Hesse and Thuringia among his four sons in 1567. His youngest son George received one-eighth of the Kingdom of Hesse with Darmstadt, and from 1570-81 George I, through expenditure of the old Katzenellenbogen Castle, erected the castle still today existing in Lichtenberg, and designated it as widow residence; that is, after his death his wife was destined to live there. The Landgraves of Hesse since 1806 named themselves Grand Dukes of Hesse-Darmstadt.

Lichtenberg Castle and BULWARK, the oldest extant fortress tower of the Odenwald (a range of mountains in Darmstadt) is the token or distinguishing mark of the village of Lichtenberg, whose history extends back to the period of the Romans. The castle was used by George I and his neighbors as summer residence and hunting castle.

George Henry, ancestor of the Ludwig family in Chambersburg, had two sons, John George and Philip, who were born in Hesse-Darmstadt, and who emigrated. This relates not to the city Darmstadt but to the grand-dukedom of Hesse-Darmstadt, which at that time comprised 600 cities and villages. They were born in Lichtenberg, which also lay in Hesse-Darmstadt. George Henry, who was Chief Warden, belonged to the court of the Castle at Lichtenberg, which however about 1830 was already disorganized.

The name LUDWIG is also even today found in Lichtenberg, which is a favorite health resort in Odenwald. Lichtenberg Castle has been well-preserved and modernized, and is well-known as Hotel Schellhaas.<sup>2</sup>

Karl Baedeker's Guidebook, 1911, says: "The village of Lichtenberg (Inn) with a Renaissance Chateau (886 ft.) now used as a hydropathic. A magnificent view from the tower or keep."<sup>3</sup>

The same guidebook, 1937, describes the castle as a "Kurhaus" or health resort hotel having 50 beds.<sup>4</sup>

The Hesse State archives also state that photostatic copies of the coat-of-arms cannot be obtained, as the library has been completely destroyed by an air-raid, and the special works cannot be gotten again. Also that the lists of the Hesse soldiers in the Russian campaign of 1812 have been destroyed in the war, so it will not be possible to find out the names of the two brothers of George Henry who perished in the campaign in Russia in 1812.<sup>2</sup>

Lichtenberg is now part of Rhenish Prussia. Another source says that Lichtenberg Castle can be seen from a distance and was built at the order of George I. Also, this: "About  $\frac{3}{4}$  hour southeast of Obersterfeld is the well-preserved Castle of Lichtenberg 1217 ft. view! 12th to 13th century. This is south of Darmstadt and on the route between Heilbronn and Stuttgart."<sup>5</sup> Also, Ingwilles, a brewing town, once fortified, on the Moder, is the Station for the feudal castle of Lichtenberg, 5 miles northwest."<sup>12</sup>

In the movie "Call Me Madam," starring Ethel Merman and Donald O'Connor, by the 20th Century Fox Film Company, the scene is in Lichtenberg Castle and many scenes are shown of the palace and castle. Count Von Lichtenberg is shown wearing a beautiful medallion.



## PART II

### The Ludwig Family

The ancestor of the Ludwig family in Chambersburg, as stated before, was George Henry, whose two sons emigrated — George and Philip, born in 1812. As George was the older, we will consider his line first.

#### John George Ludwig

*(See picture section)*

Born in Lichtenberg, Hesse-Darmstadt, Germany, January 10, 1811, and died at Chambersburg, Pennsylvania, March 6, 1887. Came to escape military service when he was 20. Landed at Baltimore, worked in a brewery at Trenton, N. J. (Jersey City) Helped to build the Cumberland Valley Railroad. In 1836 he was employed in Washabaugh Brewery on King Street as a foreman, being a skillful brewer and malster. Worked 3 years and then went into business for himself. As George was also a good chemist, he produced high grade ales and was successful from outset. Purchased site of brewery in Gas Alley (now Burkhardt Avenue) and prospered. Owned in time the Washabaugh Brewery. When Chambersburg was burned by the Confederates he lost \$27,000 on his properties, including \$8,000 on brewery.

He was a member of the firm of Huber & Co., which owned and conducted the Lemnos Works, and he was one of the organizers and a member of the Chambersburg Woolen Co., his original investment being \$10,000. He was a member of George Washington Lodge No. 143 F. & A. Masons, and one of the founders of the Second Lutheran Church.

Married in 1834 to (Maria Jayme, German) Mary Shane (born in Rohrbach Village in Palatinate February 2, 1813, died December 6, 1882). She came to America with her mother, Mrs. Christine Shane (born October 14, 1779; died at Chambersburg July 17, 1831). The Shanes were of French extraction. Mrs. Ludwig was a member of the Reformed Church for many years. He was identified with the Lutheran.

George Ludwig was a public spirited citizen and one of the leading men of the Borough of Chambersburg.<sup>1</sup>

When George Ludwig emigrated, the ship sprang a leak in mid-ocean. They worked the pumps, hoisted the signal of distress and put everybody to work bailing out. The water came in faster than they could pump it out, and the vessel settled deeper in the water. They gave up all hope. Finally, a ship appeared which saw their signal of distress and took off the passengers. It was a very short time after the last passenger crossed the gangplank that their vessel sank.

Here is another account which gives additional information:

George Ludwig, retired weaver, Chambersburg, was born in Lichtenberg, Hesse-Darmstadt, Germany, January 10, 1811, son of George Henry and Margaret (Eisenbach) Ludwig. At the age of 15 he began learning the trade of cooper and brewer, on the completion of which he was occupied till 1832 in the wine vaults as cooper and distiller. In 1832 he emigrated to America. In the Fall he worked as a brewer in Trenton, N. J., until Spring 1833. In August 1833 he came to Chambersburg and entered the employ of David Washabaugh as brewer for 6 or 7 years. In April 1840 he rented a brewery on S. Main Street, which he carried on for 6 years. He then purchased a property opposite the same, converting it into a brewery, which he successfully operated until 1846. In 1855, he purchased the property where his brewery is now located, Burkhart Avenue. Burned out in 1864 he rebuilt and resumed brewing with great success until his retirement from business in the Fall of 1881.

He is a self-made man, and one of the substantial citizens of Franklin County.<sup>6</sup>

Birth certificate shows he was christened January 13, 1811, as John George. Sponsors, John Michael Becker, citizen and nailsmith at Lichtenberg, and John George Darmstadter of Obernhausen.<sup>14</sup>

History must be considered in the light of the period in which it was written. Brewing was considered differently than it is now. It is the social side that played such an important part. No odium attached to brewing in those days. This question was forcibly presented recently. Did William Penn have a brew house at Pennsbury? The founder, like all gentlemen of his wealth in that day, had a small malt and brew house 35 ft. x 50 ft. adjoining Pennsbury, for beer for the use of family and guests.



Penn and other Quakers drank beer and wine in moderation. This is not to be construed as any excuse or justification for manufacture and sale of ale. The author has never used liquor nor tobacco in any form all his life. But the work of the historian is to present the facts.

The ale made by George was a superior product of pure malt and hops, and often recommended by doctors for sick people.

George Ludwig was an Elder in the First Lutheran English Church. Ludwig Avenue in Chambersburg, between Queen and Washington Streets, is named after him. The homestead was located at the southwest corner of Main Street and Ludwig Avenue. Across Main Street at the southeast corner was a three-story brick building which he owned and where his son John conducted a tin store. After the Confederates burned the town, this particular lot had the distinction of being the last lot to be built upon since the fire. Just south was the Indian Queen Hotel, which he also owned. He also owned ten acres of ground along the Baltimore Turnpike (now Lincoln Way), where Chambersburg Hospital now stands, which was known as the Ludwig Field, and where the Union and Confederate Armies camped at different times during the Civil War. He owned a tract of mountain land at Mt. Cydonia, which is today known as Ludwig's Hill. Ten acres of land at Long Lane and two building lots on Queen Street. Owned the Harmony Farm at New Franklin.

George Ludwig was at one time reputed to be the wealthiest man in Franklin County, but on account of his heavy losses at the time of his death his estate was worth about one-third of that amount. His second investment in the Woolen Mill was \$15,000, which was lost when it failed the second time. Business paid him \$20,000 a year.

His son Jacob went into the hardware business in Baltimore with two other men. They were supposed to furnish the experience in the business, while Jacob furnished the money. The outcome was they got the money and Jacob had the experience, and his father, George, paid for it to the tune of \$29,000.

When a needy person applied for help, George aided them and provided work. He lost thousands of dollars going on people's bail. There is an oil painting in the possession of William A. Ludwig, Jeweler, which shows a refined and kindly face. The author has heard many kind words and expressions of high esteem from town people who knew him well.

Each line will be considered in regular order as they were born.

1L. JOHN GEORGE LUDWIG and MARY SHANE were married in 1834.

### Births and deaths of children

	Born	Died
2L1. John S.	Nov. 10, 1834	June 3, 1864
2L2. Martin	Aug. 18, 1836	Feb. 29, 1876
2L3. Mary	May 27, 1838	Feb. 2, 1884
2L4. Samuel	1839	1840
2L5. George	June 6, 1841	Mar 25, 1875
2L6. Margaret	May 3, 1843	Infancy
2L7. Henry	Feb. 19, 1845	Sept. 11, 1911
2L8. Charles	Mar. 5, 1848	Jan. 25, 1914
2L9. Jacob D.	Feb. 19, 1849	June 8, 1925
2L10. Casimir B.	Feb. 21, 1851	Oct. 1, 1918
2L11. Christiana	Sept. 11, 1852	Apr. 10, 1886
2L12. Edward	Aug. 1855	Aug. 1895
2L13. Emma E.	Oct. 25, 1857	Oct. 21, 1945
2L14. Anna A.	Apr. 8, 1861	Feb. 29, 1862

### Last Will and Testament of George Ludwig

I, George Ludwig of Chambersburg, Penna., being in sound memory and understanding, do make and publish and declare this as and for My last Will and Testament, hereby revoking and making void all other or any wills by me at any time heretofore made — *Item* — I order and direct that after my death all my just debts and funeral expenses shall be paid by my executor hereinafter named, as soon as he can conveniently do so. — *Item* — I order and direct my executor hereinafter named, within a year from date of my death, to put all my real estate into market, (excepting the house and lot demised to my daughter Emma) and as soon as he can obtain in his judgment a fair price for the same to sell it, and make a deed or deeds to purchasees of the same. — *Item* — I devise and bequeath to my daughter Emma E. the house and lot I live in on West Queen Street, and all the household and kitchen furniture in same belonging to me. She shall take the same at the sum or price of Four Thousand Dollars. Two thousand dollars of this sum I give to her absolutely, over and above her share in my estate for care she has taken of me.



The other two thousand dollars to be deducted from her share in my estate and to be counted as assets in the distribution. Amongst other legatees including said Emma. *Item* — all the remainder of my estate, including two thousand dollars aforesaid, I order and direct shall be divided as following, to and amongst following persons. *Item* — I will and bequeath to my grandson Orville Shirey, son of my daughter Christianna, the sum of Fifteen Hundred Dollars, this sum to be paid to his guardian, who shall pay it over to my said grandson when he reaches the age of twenty-one years. If he, my said grandson, should die before he arrives at age of twenty-one years, then I direct that said sum of fifteen hundred dollars be divided amongst my own children share and share alike, and children of any child dead to receive the share parent would have received if living. *Item* — The remainder of my estate including all personal, and proceeds of sale of realty in hands of my executor shall be divided share and share alike between my children Charles Ludwig, Edward Ludwig, Henry Ludwig, Cisimir B. Ludwig, Jacob D. Ludwig, Emma E. Ludwig; Martin Ludwig being dead, his two children to receive his share, their names being H. Stoner Ludwig and Emma K. Earhart. John Ludwig being dead, his children George W. and William H. to receive his share. Mary Fisher being dead, her children Emma, Mollie and Nellie B. to receive three-fourths of her share. And Nellie, daughter of Harry Fisher, who is dead, to receive the other one-fourth — if the said Nellie, daughter of Harry Fisher, should die before she reaches age of twenty-one years, then said one-fourth to go to Nellie B., Emma and Mollie, daughters of Mary Fisher, or their legal representatives. *Item* — I order and direct that the share of my son Edward Ludwig shall be paid over or held by my executor or a trustee appointed to be appointed by court in event executor should refuse to serve or die, in trust for said Edward Ludwig, said trustee or executor to invest share coming to Edward in some good investment, and to pay him the interest on same for his maintenance and support. And for no other purpose excepting my said executor or trustee shall expend so much as he may deem necessary to get said Edward out of the prison in which he is confined at the date of making this Will, and after my said son Edward shall be released from prison, if he shall reform and live a good and reputable life for a period of five years from date of his release from prison, my executor, or his trustee, may if he deem it expedient pay over all sum or sums of money in his hands to said Edward, and take his release for the same. And if the said Edward should die before

receiving into his hands his share, then the said share shall be divided to and amongst my children share and share alike. Children of my deceased children to take share parent would be entitled to if living. *Item* — I order and direct that share of my son Casimir B. Ludwig shall be held by my executor or if he should refuse to serve or die, by a trustee appointed by the court, in trust as following. Said share to be invested in good security and the interest of same to be paid to my son Casimir during his lifetime for his support and maintenance and for no other purpose. Same shall not be used to pay any of his debts, made before or after the date of this my Will. At death of my son Casimir, if his wife should survive him, interest to be paid to her for her support during her lifetime. And at death of my son Casimir and his present wife said share to be paid over to his children or their legal representatives share and share alike. *Item* — I order and direct that anything or matter appertaining to the hardware business conducted or in which my son J. D. Ludwig was interested in City of Baltimore have been settled between myself and my said son J. D. Ludwig. And he is not to be held accountable for anything relating thereto, as I hereby relieve him from all liability to myself or estate. *Item* — I do hereby appoint and nominate my son J. D. Ludwig, Esq., as executor of this my last Will and Testament.

In witness whereof I, George Ludwig, have to this my last Will and Testament set my hand and seal this sixteenth day of October A.D. 1886.

I, Robert A. Evans, *Register of Wills*, do hereby certify that the within and foregoing is a true and correct photostatic copy of the last Will and Testament of George Ludwig, late of the Borough of Chambersburg, Franklin County, Penna., probated March 11, 1887, as remains on record in the Register of Wills, Office of Franklin County, in Will Book Volume K, Page 499.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of my office at Chambersburg, this 26th day of August A.D. 1954.

ROBERT A. EVANS, *Register*.

This Will was dictated by Jacob who influenced his father to sign it. The whole transaction was heard by Emma who listened at the keyhole in the next room. It caused considerable ill feeling in the family, who felt that the money lost by Jacob in Baltimore in the hardware business was Jacob's own personal obli-

gation and should not be paid either by his father or by the estate and they were cheated accordingly.

In the First and Second Final Accounting by J. D. Ludwig, the Executor shows the assets of the Estate valued at \$37,737.36. Disbursements \$25,077.28. Among the disbursements the only large items shown as given to the heirs was to the three Fisher girls, Emma, Mollie and Nellie \$531.96 and to Emma \$1500.00 for millinery store and cash \$2067.61.



## DESCENDANTS OF JOHN S. LUDWIG

- 2L1. John S., oldest son of John George and Mary Shane; born Nov. 10, 1834; died June 3, 1864.  
Married Sophia Fennel. Issue: 5 children.
- 3L1. George Washington; born Apr. 29, 1856; died June 24, 1902.
- 3L2. Katharine; born July 2, 1858; deceased.
- 3L3. Stephen Arnold Douglas; born Apr. 3, 1860; deceased.
- 3L4. William H.; born Feb. 10, 1862; died 1924.
- 3L5. Andrew Jackson; born Feb. 9, 1864; deceased.
- 3L1. George Washington married Mar. 15, 1882, Emma J. Brengle. Issue: 3 children.
- 4L1. Carleton; born Nov. 6, 1885; died young.
- 4L2. Mildred; died young.
- 4L3. Ethel married James Beacham. No children.
- 3L4. William H. married Leah Elizabeth Dessem on July 19, 1883. Issue: 2 children.
- 4L1. Walter Dessem; born Aug. 2, 1884; died Feb. 13, 1951.
- 4L2. George Russell; born Feb. 22, 1887; died June 4, 1950.
- 4L1. Walter Dessem married, 1913, Harriet Peebles Johnston.  
Issue: 2 sons.
- 5L1. Walter Dessem, Jr.; born Feb. 1, 1914.
- 5L2. William Alexander; born June 20, 1916.
- 5L1. Walter Dessem, Jr., married July 1951 Louise Quimby.  
Issue: 1 son.
- 6L1. Walter Dessem III.
- 5L2. William Alexander, son of Walter Dessem and Harriet P. Johnston, married Margaret Ivins in Sept. 1946. Issue: 3 children.
- 6L1. Emily; born Aug. 2, 1947.
- 6L2. Ann Elizabeth; born Nov. 1950.
- 6L3. Harriett; born Feb. 1953.
- 4L2. George Russell, son of William H. and Leah E. Dessem, married Grace Laird. Issue: 3 children.
- 5L1. George Russell, Jr.; born Dec. 17, 1907.

- 5L2. William Laird; born Jan. 1, 1909.
- 5L3. Jacob David; born Oct. 18, 1910.
- 6L1. George Russell, Jr., married Armatha Johnston. Issue: 2 daughters.
- 7L1. Jordis Aileen.
- 7L2. Janice Elaine.
- 5L2. William Laird married Jan. 17, 1911, Catharine M. Eby. Issue: 1 daughter.
- 6L1. Catharine May; born Sept. 4, 1933.
- 5L3. Jacob David married Arma Mary Coolidge. No children.

I. The oldest child, JOHN S., born Nov. 10, 1834, died June 3, 1864. Tinsmith. Store was located S. E. corner Main Street and Ludwig Avenue beside Indian Queen Hotel, now Hotel La Mar. Married Sophia Fennel, daughter of Frederick and Catharine (Ripper) Fennel, born Feb. 17, 1837, died July 17, 1923. Issue: five children.

1. George Washington; born April 29, 1856; died June 24, 1902; Jeweler and Physician. Attended school in Chambersburg until 15 when he took up the jeweler's trade, which he completed in Cumberland, Md., Wheeling, W. Va., and Philadelphia. Open a jewelry store in Chambersburg April 1877 under the name of George W. Ludwig & Co. until Nov. 29, 1881, since which period Mr. Ludwig has carried an extensive line of watches, clocks, jewelry and silverware, and now has the leading line of watches, clocks, jewelry and silverware, and now has the leading house of the kind in Chambersburg. In politics he is a Republican.

On March 15, 1882, he married Emma J. Brengle from Cumberland, Md., and had one son, Carleton, born Nov. 6, 1885. Two daughters, Mildred and Ethel B.<sup>6</sup> Carleton was a family name in the Brengle family. George W. was a Physician. Studied at the University of Maryland. Fitted up a fine new store on S. Main Street and died suddenly. Never saw his new store. Carleton and Mildred died very young. Ethel married James Beacham but died a few years after her marriage, leaving no children. Mrs. George W. Ludwig, a long time after the death of her husband, returned to Cumberland and James Beacham made his home with her. She died about 1950 and left her home and money to her son-in-law.

2. Katharine; born July 2, 1858 (deceased).



3. Stephen Arnold Douglas; April 3, 1860 (deceased).

4. The fourth child of John S. and Sophia (Fennel) Ludwig is William H.; born Feb. 10, 1862; died 1924. Jeweler and member of Chambersburg Town Council and George Washington Lodge No. 143 F. & A. M. At his brother George's death he continued operating the jewelry store. In July 19, 1883, he married Leah Elizabeth Dessem; born April 6, 1864; died 1927; daughter of Adam and Annie C. (Falter) Dessem. Issue: two sons, Walter D. and Russell.

### Walter Dessem Ludwig

1. Walter Dessem Ludwig, son of William H. and Leah Elizabeth, was born Aug. 2, 1884, died Feb. 13, 1951. Attended Public Schools. Graduated from Chambersburg Academy 1901, Bowman's Technical School at Lancaster, Pa., and State Forest School. Associated with father when not attending school. From 1907 to 1924 connected with Pennsylvania State Forest Service. Following his father's death in 1924 he returned to Chambersburg to take charge of his father's interests. In 1913 he married Harriet Peebles Johnston (1892-1952) a native of Belfast, Ireland. Issue: Walter Dessem, Jr. and William Alexander. Walter D. is an Episcopalian. He has been identified with the Boy Scouts from scoutmaster to commissioner.<sup>6</sup>

Harriet P. Johnston was Scotch-Irish by birth and raised over there and came to this country as a girl. She endowed the George Ludwig plot in Cedar Grove Cemetery with perpetual care as well as William H. and John Ludwig's plots.

### Children of Walter D. and Harriett P. Johnston

1. Walter D., Jr., born February 1, 1914, District Forester. Graduated from Dickinson College 1937 with B.S. Degree. Graduated from Yale in 1939 with a Master's Degree in Forestry. Served in the Navy 4 years as an officer during the war, and went back to Forestry in 1946, and is now District Forester at Wellsboro, Pa. Married Louise Quimby, of Wellsboro, Pa., July 1951. Have one son a year old, Walter D. Ludwig, III.

2. William Alexander, born June 20, 1916. Graduated from Dickinson College in 1939 with degree of Bachelor of Philosophy and also attended Law School one year; served in the Army 5

years and now owns and operates the jewelry store in Chambersburg — "*Ludwig's since 1877*," the leading jewelers during this long period. Married Margaret Ivins of Chambersburg in September 1946, daughter of Margaret Bert (Davison) of Greencastle and related to the Davison Clan of same. Her father is Maurice Ivins, who is of Quaker extraction from the Langhorne area, north of Philadelphia. Three children: Emily, born August 2, 1947; Ann Elizabeth, born November 1950; Harriett Jane, born February 1953.

II. GEORGE RUSSELL; born February 22, 1887; died June 4, 1950; son of William H. and Leah Elizabeth. Jeweler; Agriculture course in correspondence from Penn State College. Married Grace Laird, whose father was proprietor of Hotel Montgomery. Her mother's maiden name was Mary Rinehart. Issue: Three children:

1. George Russell, Jr., born December 17, 1907. Graduate of Chambersburg High School in 1926. Penn State College now a University in Metallurgical Engineering in 1931. With Aruco, The American Rolling Mill in Butler, Penna.; also taught Metallurgy for Penn State Extension Course in Butler during Second World War. Married Armatha Johnston. Has two daughters: Jordis Aileen and Janice Elaine.

2. William Laird, born January 1, 1909. Attended Chambersburg High School four years. Owns one-half the business of Mt. Cydonia Sand Bank at Caledonia, Pa. Married Catharine M. Eby, January 17, 1911. Has one daughter, Catharine May, a Senior at Shippensburg State Teachers College; born Sept. 4, 1933.

3. Jacob David, born October 8, 1910. Graduated from Chambersburg High School in 1928; correspondence course in construction engineering from Scranton Correspondence School. Worked on Navy construction World War II; now Superintendent of Construction with Maurice Stoudt & Son in Allentown, Pa. Married Arma Mary Coolidge. No children.

5. Fifth child of John S. and Sophia (Fennel) Ludwig is Andrew Jackson, born February 9, 1864; deceased.

II. Second child of George II and Mary L. was MARTIN; born August 18, 1936; died February 29, 1876. Married Louisa Lenher; born 1839; died in 1916; daughter of George Lenher.



They had two children: Emma L., born October 1858, married Barclay Earhart. They had a daughter Vera who married Frank Smythe. (See page 61.) They have several children and reside in Philadelphia. Harry Stoner, born August 14, 1867, died August 3, 1943. Painter. Married Annie Marshall, 1865-1942. Issue: 5 children—

1. Hilda Marshall; born October 11, 1889; died November 2, 1918. Married Charles W. Miles of Chambersburg. No children.

2. Earle E. Ludwig; born August 7, 1891, deceased. Married Margaret Tippet from Harrisburg. Issue: 2 sons — Franklin Martin, born April 22, 1915. He and his wife were both killed in an auto accident September 1948. The other son, Earle Miles, born February 19, 1918.

3. Edith R.; born June 17, 1894. Married Lawrence Steinbach from Baltimore. One daughter, Betty Ann.

4. Harry Martin; born February 17, 1896; died June 30, 1909.

5. Frank Marshall; born December 10, 1899; died August 20, 1901.

### Children of John F. and Mary Ludwig Fisher

III. The third child of George and Mary Shane Ludwig was MARY; born May 27, 1838; died February 2, 1884. She married John F. Fisher (February 14, 1833 - August 18, 1882), son of Adam and Rebecca (Wallace) Fisher, and was proprietor of Indian Queen Hotel. Issue: four children — Mary, Harry, Emma, and Nellie B.

1. Mary married Mr. Bloom, living in West Virginia.

2. Harry; born July 24, 1859; died November 22, 1885. After his father's death, he ran the Indian Queen Hotel for his mother. Married Susan Kate Elliott; born in Chambersburg September 11, 1861; died March 2, 1906. Issue: two children — Bess and Nellie Maude. Bess: born May 1883, died August 1885. Nellie Maude married U. Grant Foreman June 4, 1902, a famous actor and honored as one of Franklin County's distinguished sons. Issue: one son—Elliott, living in Chicago, who has an adopted son. After Grant died, Nellie Maude married Herman Oltman. She died February 22, 1954, and is buried in Melvine, Illinois, Herman's home town. They had no children.

3. The third child of John F. and Mary Ludwig Fisher was Emma; born October 12, 1864; died September 27, 1901; was married to Horace L. Bender, attorney (born 1862, buried July 30, 1908). No children.

4. The last child was Nellie B.; born June 18, 1866; died November 5, 1888; was never married. The Fisher family is buried in Cedar Grove Cemetery.

NOTE: Susan Kate Elliott Fisher, after Harry's death, married Homer Shirey, November 23, 1887, and also ran the Indian Queen Hotel. Issue: a daughter, Hazel Jean. Homer's first marriage was to Christiana Ludwig, the eleventh child of George and Mary (Shane) Ludwig, and sister to Mary Ludwig Fisher.

IV. Fourth child, SAMUEL; born 1839; died 1840.

V. GEORGE; born June 6, 1841; died March 25, 1875. A strong, active man. Any occurrence such as a firemen's parade, George took an active part. Did not take the best care of himself, reason for his early death. When Governor Curtin issued his call for soldiers in 1862 to defend Pennsylvania against the Confederates, George responded. Lieutenant with 85 men in his company. His grave is decorated in Cedar Grove Cemetery each Decoration Day. One event is mentioned in connection with George. One time George was called in to quell a disturbance that broke out in Indian Queen Hotel by some roughnecks. George must have been somewhat of a pugilist, as he had four men lying on the pavement at the same time.

VI. Sixth child, MARGARET; born May 3, 1843; died in infancy.

VII. Seventh child, HENRY; born February 19, 1845; died September 11, 1911. Married October 8, 1871, Mrs. Sophie (Scheuerman) Hug, daughter of George Martin and Margretta (Rosenbar) Scheuerman, and widow of Casper Hug; born March 15, 1845; died January 24, 1908. Issue: 3 children—

1. Emma Minnie; born July 20, 1872; died January 3, 1895.

2. Franklin Edward; born July 27, 1875; died June 6, 1943.

3. George Henry; born December 8, 1877; died February 18, 1897. Barber.



## DESCENDANTS OF CHARLES LUDWIG

- 2L8. Charles, son of John George and Mary Shane; born March 5, 1848; died January 25, 1914. Married Emma Wagner September 22, 1874. Issue: 6 children—
  - 3L1. Charles Wallace; born Aug. 29, 1875; died Mar. 22, 1953.
  - 3L2. Frederick Wagner; born Nov. 16, 1876; died Mar. 11, 1947.
  - 3L3. Amelia Charlotte; born Feb. 28, 1878.
  - 3L4. George Albert (Historian); born Aug. 10, 1880.
  - 3L5. Mary Brallier; born Mar. 23, 1882.
  - 3L6. Paul Charles; born May 18, 1884; died Oct. 18, 1884.
  
- 3L1. Charles Wallace married Annie Chronister and had 2 children:
  - 4L1. Norman Charles; born Apr. 17, 1906.
  - 4L2. Ellenor; born Apr. 24, 1910; died Mar. 25, 1953.
- 4L1. Norman Charles was married to Ruth Eleanore Lathrop and had 2 children:
  - 5L1. Richard Eugene; born June 12, 1941.
  - 5L2. Kenneth Leon; born Nov. 21, 1942.
- 4L2. Ellenor married Benjamin Saxton. No children.
  
- 3L2. Frederick Wagner married April 19, 1899, to Martha A. Bingham. Issue: 2 children—
  - 4L1. Wallace Frederick; born May 11, 1940; married Ruth Kathryn Uhrich. No children.
  - 4L2. Kathryn Bingham married Nov. 25, 1924, Joseph Westley Warner and have 1 daughter:
    - 5L1. Kathryn Virginia; born May 27, 1926.
  - 5L1. Kathryn Virginia; born May 27, 1926; married August 4, 1946 to William Zepp, Jr. Parents of two children—
    - 6L1. Carol Susanne; born Nov. 8, 1947.
    - 6L2. Paul Jonathan; born Nov. 30, 1950.
  
- 3L3. Amelia Charlotte, oldest daughter of Charles Ludwig and Emma Wagner, married George Hull Bitner and are the parents of 7 children—

- 4L1. Dorothy Amelia, Schoolteacher, born Apr. 5, 1901.
- 4L2. Richard Mathias, Druggist and Postmaster, born Oct. 6, 1902.
- 4L3. Nevin Ludwig, Attorney, born Aug. 31, 1904.
- 4L4. Frieda Marie, Nurse, born Apr. 2, 1907.
- 4L5. Walter P., specialist in Radiology, born Nov. 15, 1910.
- 4L6. Audrey Isabel, Schoolteacher, born July 29, 1913.
- 4L7. George Hull, Minister, born June 18, 1916.
- 4L1. Dorothy Amelia married July 7, 1928 Garrett Van Nimmewegen and have two children—
- 5L1. Derrik Van; born Feb. 11, 1934.
- 5L2. Donald Van; born Feb. 11, 1940.
- 4L2. Richard Mathias married, 1929, Joanna M. Kavash and have 2 children—
- 5L1. Charlotte Joan.
- 5L2. Richard Burrow who married Rose Uhlig, Aug. 20, 1955.
- 4L5. Walter P. married Ruth Virginia Baum and are the parents of 3 children—
- 5L1. Jay Austin; born Jan. 16, 1941.
- 5L2. Nevin Ludwig, II; born July 29, 1944.
- 5L3. Charolyn Virginia; born Dec. 11, 1950.
- 4L6. Audrey Isabel, youngest daughter of Amelia Charlotte and George H. Bitner, married Glenn Edwin McLaughlin, Aug. 5, 1939, and have 3 sons—
- 5L1. Ronald McLaughlin; born Aug. 9, 1941.
- 5L2. Glenn Edwin McLaughlin, Jr.; born Sept. 3, 1942.
- 5L3. Jerry Bitner; born June 28, 1950.
  
- 3L4. George Albert, son of Charles and Emma Wagner, married Grace A. Brindle and had 1 son—
- 4L1. Albert Noel; born Dec. 25, 1918; died Aug. 15, 1934.
  
- 3L5. Mary Brallier married Andrew Russell Stepler and had 4 children—
- 4L1. Helen Marie; Schoolteacher; no children.
- 4L2. Charles Lewis; born 1904; died 1909.
- 4L3. Hazel Irene; born July 1907.
- 4L4. Howard Russell; born July 31, 1910.
- 4L3. Hazel Irene married April 13, 1906, Stewart A. Zimmerman. Issue: 2 children—
- 5L1. Jeanne Marie; born Mar. 28, 1926.
- 5L2. Stewart A. Zimmerman, Jr.; born July 26, 1930.



- 5L1. Jeanne Marie married Joseph F. Cunningham. Issue: 2 children—
- 6L1. Michael Lee; born Aug. 8, 1946.
- 6L2. Colleen; born Nov. 22, 1947.
- 5L1. Jeanne Marie, second marriage to Francis J. Benoit. Issue: 1 son.
- 6L3. Son.
- 4L4. Howard Russell married Mildred McClain and have 1 son.
- 5L1. Howard, Jr.

VIII. The eighth child of George and Mary was Charles; born March 5, 1848; died January 25, 1914. He was educated at a time-honored institution, the Chambersburg Academy. He was associated in business with his father until his father retired in 1881, when Charles continued the business alone until his retirement about 1892, after which he became Storekeeper and Gauger for the U. S. Government.

Charles was married in September 22, 1874, to Emma Wagner of Harrisburg (born March 11, 1854; died October 1, 1884). Her father, Daniel, born October 3, 1824, died March 28, 1879, was related to Richard Wagner, the celebrated composer. Emma's mother was Amelia Fredericka Schellhaus, born July 15, 1831, died October 18, 1903, and came from Kassel, Germany. Amelia F.'s mother visited her daughter and died January 18, 1849, age 56, of pneumonia.

Daniel ran a well-known hotel in Harrisburg, corner of Capital and Forster Streets, two squares from the Capital grounds, which Amelia continued to operate after his death, when she made two voyages to Germany after her retirement. Daniel came to America to escape military service. He was a Colonel in the National Guard at Harrisburg.

There was musical talent in the Wagner family. Emma was an accomplished musician and played the pipe organ at St. Michael's Lutheran Church in Harrisburg. Her sister Marie sang and played pipe organs in churches and theaters in Philadelphia. Emma had a Steinway piano costing five hundred dollars, now in possession of Charlotte, the oldest daughter. Charles and Emma had six children: Wallace, Frederick, Charlotte, George, Mary, and Paul.

Emma's untimely death was caused by the well-meaning family physician who over-estimated her strength and gave her too much morphine. She never regained consciousness. Charles was in bed at the time with inflammatory rheumatism and could not go to

his wife's funeral. When Emma died, all interest and ambition in life for Charles died with her.

When Charles was a young man he was riding a white horse which threw him and dragged him a distance with his one foot in the stirrup. John Hoffman stopped the horse and released him, but not before the horse tramped on his head. There was always a deep dent near the middle of his forehead.

When Charles was Storekeeper and Gauger he had the reputation of keeping the best set of books of the U. S. Internal Revenue in the District.

1. Charles Wallace; born August 29, 1875; died March 22, 1953. Baker. Worked for 20 years for John Leibold, afterward in business for himself until his retirement. A member of Friendship Fire Co. Met a tragic death from the explosion of an oil heater in their bedroom, together with his daughter Ellenor. Died on way to Chambersburg Hospital. Daughter lingered three days from second and third degree burns. It was a double funeral. Interment in Lincoln Cemetery, Chambersburg.

Ellenor was the widow of Benjamin Saxten, who while driving a truck, put out his arm, which was torn off by a passed car. Her body was shipped to Nashville, Tenn., to rest beside the body of her husband. Ellenor was born April 24, 1910, died March 25, 1953.

C. Wallace was married to Anna May Chronister of Shippensburg; born December 2, 1878; died December 20, 1955. A son survives, Norman Charles, born April 17, 1906. Graduated Chambersburg High School in 1925. Attended Carnegie Institute of Technology in Pittsburgh 1926 and 1927 (night school); attended Illinois Institute of Technology, graduating with B.S. degree in Electrical Engineering in 1931. Attended University of Chicago, graduating with H.S. degree in Physics in 1937. Was instructor in Physics and Engineering at Lewis Institute 1932-1937. Now employed as Section Leader in Research Laboratory of the Universal Atlas Cement Co., Buffington Station, Gary, Indiana. Norman presented factuals and scientific presentations on "cements," which received recognition and selected as one to be included in the 1953 Volume of the S. P. I. "Drilling and Production Practice." This was in June at the Pittsburgh "Symposium." Only about 2% of the papers presented in S. P. I. make this volume.

Norman was married to Ruth Eleanore Lathrop; born Janu-



ary 23, 1903, in Chicago. Daughter of Leon Josiah Lathrop (born in Aurora, Ill.) and Caroline Wilhelmina Kohues (born in Cincinnati, Ohio). Ruth graduated from Chicago High School and Chicago Teachers College in 1923. Attended the DePaul University, receiving a Ph.B. Degree in 1933. Also attended Summer Schools at other universities. She taught in the Elementary Schools in Chicago from 1923-1953. Norman and Ruth have two children. They are Richard Eugene Ludwig, born June 12, 1941, in Chicago, and Kenneth Leon Ludwig, born November 21, 1942, in Chicago.

## Frederick Wagner Ludwig

2. The second child of Charles and Emma was Frederick Wagner, born November 16, 1876. Died at Chambersburg Hospital March 11, 1947. Painter and decorator. Member of Friendship Fire Company and Jr. O.U.A.M. and National Guard in Chambersburg. Married on April 19, 1899, to Martha Armer Bingham (born November 17, 1878, died September 13, 1955), daughter of Hugh Barr Bingham, near Chambersburg (died December 25, 1912) and Catharine Mackaleer (1859-April 9, 1930). Two children survive.

Wallace Frederick, born October 31, 1900. Attended public school in Chambersburg and graduated Central High School, Harrisburg. Entered service Penna. Railroad July 2, 1917. Furloughed 1933. Worked Public Service Commission, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, 1935-February 1939. Again Penna. Railroad since 1940. Married on May 11, 1940, at Trinity Lutheran Church, Hagerstown, Md., by Rev. J. S. Simon, to Ruth Kathryn Uhrich of Ephrata, Lancaster County, daughter of Samuel Bamer Uhrich (Sept. 8, 1952-Oct. 30, 1930) and Theresa Aurelia Shober (June 26, 1855-April 14, 1922).

Kathryn Bingham, born April 19, 1903. Attended Public Schools in Chambersburg, Harrisburg (Pueblo, Colorado) and finished at John Marshall, St. Louis, Mo., June 1920. Lived in Pueblo, Colorado, 1912-1917, then in St. Louis, Mo., till May 15, 1924, returning to Harrisburg. Kathryn is not listed as a nurse, but as tray woman in Dietary Department in Hospital. Married November 25, 1924, at Messiah Lutheran Church, Harrisburg, to Joseph Westley Warner from Richmond, Va., son of Joseph Danner Warner and Mary Westley. They came from Dunbarn County, Va.

Kathryn and Joseph have one daughter, Kathryn Virginia Warner, born May 27, 1926, who was married August 4, 1946, to William Raymond Zepp, Jr., (October 20, 1923) from Baltimore. He is in the Air Force and was sent to Arabia in October 1953. His wife Virginia is temporarily living in Harrisburg. They have two children:

Carol Susanne Zepp, born November 8, 1947.

Paul Jonathan Zepp, born November 30, 1950.

3. The third child of Charles and Emma (Wagner) Ludwig was Amelia Charlotte, born February 28, 1878, who early took charge of her father's household affairs on account of her mother's untimely death. Amelia C. was a most unselfish and self-sacrificing person. Married George Hull Bitner (July 17, 1879-March 21, 1937) of Chambersburg, son of Mathias Bitner (Feb. 14, 1846-Sept. 6, 1902) of Greenvillage, Franklin County, and Emma Louise Basel (July 15, 1857-Apr. 29, 1929) and they raised a wonderful family of seven children. George was of a dynamic personality. Was a clerk in office of Pennsylvania Railroad in Chambersburg; a Sunday School teacher and active worker in St. John's Church; active in civic affairs and in the Cumberland Valley Fire Company—Captain of the Drill team which he led to many victories, the most notable of which was the State Championship at Reading, against great competition. Died while holding office of Tax Collector for Borough of Chambersburg. This family is a good example of cooperation. George did his utmost to give them a good education, taking extra jobs such as assessor and clerking in haberdashery to help out and the children helping themselves wherever possible. Seven children: 1. Dorothy, schoolteacher; 2. Richard, pharmacist; 3. Nevin, attorney; 4. Frieda, registered nurse; 5. Walter, physician; 6. Audrey, schoolteacher; 7. George, minister.

1. Oldest child of Amelia C. and George H. Bitner is Dorothy Amelia, born April 5, 1901, in Chambersburg. Graduated from Chambersburg High School 1919; graduated from Wilson College in 1923. Degree: Bachelor of Arts. Taught in High School in Littleton, W. Va., for 2 years; taught in High School in Butler, N. J., from 1925 to 1934. Married on July 7, 1928, to Garrett Van Nimwegen in The-Little-Church-Around-the-Corner in New York City. Garret Van Nimwegen was born December 9, 1902, in Paterson, N. J. Father: Joseph Van Nimwegen who came to the U. S. from Holland in 1888 at the age of



eleven. Mother: Lena Struck, also of Dutch ancestry, but born in the U. S. Garret graduated from Paterson, N. J., High School in 1920; graduated from New York University in 1925, Bachelor of Science in Chemical Engineering. In 1925 joined research laboratory of American Hard Rubber Co. in Butler, N. J. They lived in Butler, N. J., from 1928 to 1936. Moved to Niagara Falls, N. Y., November 1, 1936. Garret joined the Research Department of the Carborundum Company, later becoming the Assistant Manager of Research and Development. Issue: Derrik Van, born on February 11, 1934, at Paterson General Hospital; graduated from LaSalle High School in 1952. Entered Wesleyan University, Middletown, Conn., in Fall of 1952, graduated 1956. Majored in economics and went to a school of business administration. Got a fine position in Ohio and was inducted into the Service.

Donald Van Nimwegen, born February 11, 1940, at Niagara Falls Memorial Hospital. Attending LaSalle High School, Niagara Falls, N. Y.

Dorothy is a public spirited and benevolent minded person. Active in Reformed Church at home and has many affiliations, such as Girl Scouts and Parent-Teacher Association.

2. Richard Mathias Bitner, born October 6, 1902, at Chambersburg, Pa. Graduated from Chambersburg High School at age of 16 and served Pharmacist apprenticeship during High School days with the late S. Miller Greenawalt at North Point Pharmacy. Like his father—a dynamic personality. Graduated from Philadelphia College Pharmacy and Science in 1921 with degree of Ph.G. in Pharmacy. Resided in Lansdale and worked for the late Harry W. Press Pharmacy there while attending the University of Pennsylvania from 1921 to 1924, studying a pre-medical course. Bought the Press Pharmacy in 1924 in partnership with Edward F. Burrow, after passing the Pennsylvania State Board of Pharmacy Examinations and registering as a Pharmacist. Several years later purchased the interest of Mr. Burrow and has conducted a retail Pharmacy in Lansdale to date. In recent years he has discarded the soda fountain, ice cream, lunch and all merchandise extraneous to the Public Health, and is rapidly becoming an Apothecary with physician's prescriptions, medicines and health supplies the major business in his drug store. Organized the first Merchant's Association in Lansdale and served as its president for 6 years. Active for years in local Rotary Club—helped organize first Public Library; active for 7 years in

Masonic Lodge. Member of Blue Lodge-Shiloh (Lansdale), Benjamin Franklin Consistory and Lulu Temple Shrine, both of Philadelphia. Organized and served as president first 2 years the Montgomery County Pharmaceutical Association, currently its secretary. Past President of the Pennsylvania State Pharmaceutical Association. Received the American Druggist's Citation for Outstanding Community Service in 1950; member of National Retail Druggists—American Pharmaceutical Association. Member of St. John's Reformed Church. Serving 14th year as Lansdale Borough Councilman. Postmaster of Lansdale. Married Joanna M. Kavash in 1929. Has two children—Charlotte Joan, who graduated from Lansdale, Pa., High School and attended Edgewood Park School and Penn State College, and Richard Burrow Bitner, graduate of Lansdale High School and graduated from the Massachusetts College of Pharmacy in Boston in 1956. Married Madeline Rose Uhlig, daughter of William M. Uhlig, of Lansdale, August 20, 1955, at Trinity Lutheran Church, Lansdale.

### Nevin Ludwig Bitner

3rd child of George and Charlotte A. Bitner, born August 31, 1904, at Chambersburg. In 1922 graduated from Chambersburg High School; earned Ph.B. in 1926 at Dickinson College, Carlisle. While doing this, he commuted to Chambersburg and worked at night for Pennsylvania Railroad. Graduated Temple University Law School, LL.B. in 1930. Law course four years at night; worked as Assistant Librarian, Athenalum Library (a privately owned library in Philadelphia) and in law office of Walter D. C. Douglas, Jr., who died in 1931, three months after Nevin's admission to the bar.

Admitted to practice before the Pennsylvania Supreme Court in 1931; Franklin County in 1931; Philadelphia County in 1931; U. S. District Court, Eastern District Pennsylvania in 1931; U. S. Supreme Court in 1947; Lancaster County in 1951. In 1942 started to work for Armstrong Cork Co., Lancaster; moved there and has resided there ever since. Lancaster is the home office of the Armstrong Cork Co., which is a wide-spread corporation. He is a lawyer in the company's legal department.

He is also a Director of The Columbia Trust Company, a bank over 50 years old in Columbia, Pa., 12 miles west of Lancaster.

Affiliations: Member of Lancaster County Bar Association; Penna. State Bar Association; American Bar Association; Lodge



Shiloh No. 558 F. & A. M., Lansdale; Rotary Club (East Petersburg); Past President and last Deputy District Governor of Lions Club (Lansdale) 1942. Reformed Church. University Club. Married 1933 to Jane Gertrude Davis, Shamokin, Pa.

### Frieda Marie Bitner Richmond

4. Born April 2, 1907. Graduated from Chambersburg High School in 1925, Protestant Episcopal Hospital School of Nursing in 1928. Post Graduate Hospital, University of Pennsylvania—Charge Nurse of Clinic Office Nurse, Narbeth, Pa. (one year). Willard Parker Hospital, Department of Hospitals of New York City Hospital for Contagious Diseases for two and one-half years; Queens General Hospital, Jamaica, Long Island—staff nurse; New York Cornell Medical Center—four-month post graduate course in surgical nursing; Flushing Hospital for six months—staff nurse; Valley Stream, L. I., N. Y. School No. 13—School Nurse four years.

New York University, New York City summer school and night school for Certification of School Nurse Teacher. General duty nurse for 2½ years at Saratoga Hospital, Saratoga Springs, N. Y.

For the past four years night supervisor at Benedict Memorial Hospital, Ballston Spa, N. Y.

In 1954 became Public Health Nurse for Saratoga County, N. Y., and assigned to towns of Corinth, Greenfield, Hadley and Edinburgh.

Married Horace J. Richmond, Brandon, Vermont, March 4, 1937. Reside at Porter Corners, N. Y.

### Walter P. Bitner, M.D.

5. The fifth child of George H. and Amelia Charlotte Ludwig Bitner is Walter P., born November 15, 1910. Graduated from Chambersburg High School, Dickinson College, B.S. degree and Phi Beta Kappa honors University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine, M.D. degree. University of Pennsylvania Graduate School of Medicine in Radiology; Fellow in Radiology at Graduate Hospital of University of Pennsylvania. A Diplomate of the American Board of Radiology, which means Walter P. is certified to practice as a Specialist and is practising Radiology in Harrisburg.

Affiliations: The American Medical Association; The Dauphin County Medical Society, The Harrisburg Academy of Medicine; The American College of Radiology; The Philadelphia Roentgen Ray Society; The Pennsylvania Radiological Society, and an Associate of The American College of Physicians.

Member of Trinity Lutheran Church and Harrisburg Chamber of Commerce and 32nd degree Mason.

Resides at Camp Hill, Pa.

Married Ruth Virginia Baum (Gini) of Chambersburg, daughter of Samuel Austin and Nellie Gelwicks Baum. Issue: 3 children — Jay Austin, born January 16, 1941; Nevin Ludwig II, born July 29, 1944; Carolyn Virginia, born December 11, 1950.

6. The sixth child of Amelia C. and George H. Bitner was Audrey Isabel, born July 29, 1913. Graduated from Chambersburg High School; attended Wilson College one year. Graduated after three years at Juniata College; taught Home Economics in Delta High School; operated a small restaurant after the War. Now teaching Home Economics in Red Lion High School.

Married August 5, 1939, in historic Valley Forge Chapel to Glenn Edwin McLaughlin, born November 1, 1914, of Delta, Pa., son of Glenn Edwin McLaughlin and Elizabeth McLaughlin (same name but different family). Glenn Edwin was in the Infantry service, Second World War, three years; not overseas. After the war, helped to operate the restaurant and then went back to line work — “lineman.” Three sons were born to this marriage — Ronald McLaughlin, born August 9, 1941; Glenn Edwin McLaughlin, Jr., born September 3, 1942; Jerry Bitner, born June 28, 1950.

### The Reverend George Hull Bitner

The seventh child of Amelia Charlotte and George H. Bitner was the son to carry his father's name. Born June 18, 1916. Graduated from Chambersburg High School in 1937. Before entering college in 1938, he joined his brother Walter in the completion of the unexpired term of their father who died in 1937 while serving as City Tax Collector. During his high school years, in this interim year, and while in college, he was active in Boy Scouts and Christian Endeavor.

In 1942 he was graduated from The Pennsylvania State Teachers College at Shippensburg, where he received his degree of



Bachelor of Science in Education, having prepared himself for the teaching profession in the secondary field with a Major in English and a Minor in Social Studies. While in college he was privileged to serve as Class President for three years, an honor he had for two years in high school. With the aid of the Pennsylvania Rehabilitation Service the four years were completed without debt. At graduation he was honored with The Eleanor Kymer Boots award.

For two years he served as teacher of English and Librarian (1942-1944) at the Pennsylvania School for Soldiers' Children, Scotland, Pa. While there, he served as adviser to the young people's religious activities.

In September 1944 he entered Yale University for three years of graduate study in the Divinity School, from which he was granted the degree of Bachelor of Divinity in 1947. During these three years he received a scholarship from Yale University, one from the Division of Special Education of the Department of Public Instruction of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and another from The American Foundation for the Blind.

In January 1948 he accepted a position in Waynesboro, Pa., where he was employed as Instructor in Sacred Literature in the Secondary Schools and served as part-time Assistant Pastor to the congregations of the Waynesboro charge of the Evangelical and Reformed Church, including Trinity Church in Waynesboro and Salem Church in the rural area.

In June 25, 1948, he was ordained by the Mercersburg Synod in his home church, St. John's Reformed, Chambersburg. The Professor of Christian Ethics, R. H. Richard Niebuhr, of the Yale Divinity School, preached the sermon of Ordination.

In October 1951, he resigned his duties as Assistant Pastor to give full time service to the Waynesboro Schools, continuing as Instructor in Sacred Literature and Teacher of English. From the time of his resignation, until now, Mr. Bitner remains a member of the Mercersburg Synod and serves as supply Minister in the Synod.

In June 1953, he resigned from his teaching duties in Waynesboro. The following September he matriculated in the Graduate School of the Pennsylvania State University, from which he was granted the degree of Master of Education in June 1954, having completed his graduate study in Guidance and Counselor Education.

In July 1954, he returned to Waynesboro in the capacity of Guidance Counselor in the Waynesboro Area Senior High School, and Co-ordinator of Student Personnel Services in the Area Secondary Schools.

He is a member of Phi Sigma Pi and Kappa Delta Pi (National Honorary Fraternities); also, Phi Sigma Chi (Social Fraternity) and Iota Alpha Delta (Fraternity for Graduate Students in Counselor Education).

On account of a serious handicap, imperfect vision, George did not finish high school until age 21. The way he persevered until he finished his education is deserving of the highest commendation. He was cited often for perseverance. His example is an encouragement and inspiration to any person under a similar handicap.

4. The fourth child of Charles and Emma (Wagner) is George Albert, born August 10, 1880. Graduated from Chambersburg High School; became an active worker in Second Lutheran Church, of which his grandfather, George, was one of the founders; moved to Whitemarsh, Montgomery County, in 1926, and became an active worker in Zion Lutheran Church. Taught Zion Gleaners Women's Bible Class. Earned a diploma in Christian Leadership from the International Council of Religious Education, and is the first graduate of the Bux-Mont Christian Leadership Training School, Lansdale, Pa. Moved to Barren Hill. Elected Church Historian, March 6, 1951. Compiled the history of the historic St. Peter's Lutheran Church, Barren Hill, for their 200th Anniversary, the first to be written in all that long period.

George A. is a Life Member of Fort Washington F. & A. M. Lodge No. 308 and Chapter No. 220. Also, Life Member of Kearney Lodge No. 159, Knights of Pythias, Chambersburg.

Married Grace Alda Brindle, born September 13, 1887, daughter of Solomon David Brindle and Florence Westafer, of Centerville, Cumberland County, Pennsylvania. Solomon D. B. was a School Director and an Elder in the Lutheran Church in Newville over a quarter of a century. Occupation: road supervisor. Built that excellent Walnut Bottom road near Shippensburg.

Grace A. graduated from High School and State Teachers College at Shippensburg and taught school. Member of Wissahickon Chapter No. 308, Order of the Eastern Star, for many years.



Issue: one son, Albert Noel, born Christmas morning December 25, 1918; died August 15, 1934. Interment in Norland Cemetery, Chambersburg.

George A. wrote this history of the Ludwig family.

5. The fifth child of Charles and Emma was Mary Brallier (named after the family physician), born March 23, 1882. Member of Second Lutheran Church. Married to Andrew Russell Stepler (born 1881, died 1926) son of Lewis Stepler (Feb. 28, 1942; May 5, 1910) and Amanda Burns (Dec. 7, 1844; June 7, 1935) tinner and furnace man. Issue: four children and an infant son, 1914.

1. Helen Marie, born January 23, 1903. Graduated June 1920 from Chambersburg High School; graduated June 1925 from Wilson College, Chambersburg, Pa., A.B. degree. Taught Social Studies in Mansfield Senior High School from 1925-1935. Drafted back to same position during World War II, 1942; still teaching, 1956.

Summer School, Shippensburg State Teachers' College. American University, Washington, D. C.

Affiliations: Formerly member of Second Lutheran Church, Chambersburg, Pa. Transferred by letter to First Baptist Church of Mansfield, Pa., serving sixth year as Church Clerk. Member of Friendship Class of Baptist Church; P.E.O. Sisterhood Pi Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma; Charter member of National Honorary Teachers Group; Republican Women's Council, Austin Cox American Legion Auxiliary; Mansfield Literary Club; Local, State, National Education Association; Secretary of Library Board of Mansfield Public Library; Parent-Teachers Association; 20 years active in Girl Scouting in Mansfield and Tioga County; 10 years of Vacation Church School work, mostly Junior Department.

On August 24, 1930, married Harold George Strait (born August 12, 1898) son of George Leslie and Anna Elvira (Westbrook) Strait, Mansfield, Tioga County, Pa., who graduated in 1917 from Mansfield Normal School. Served in World War II. Proprietor of Strait's Hardware Store (since father's death, 1950), founded by his father 63 years ago. Trustee of Baptist Church and Secretary of Board and many other affiliations, such as American Legion, Secretary Business Men's Association and Community Chest. Many Masonic affiliations. Elected a 33rd degree Mason at Annual Northern Masonic Jurisdiction at Boston,

September 1951. Received 33rd degree at New York, September 24, 1952.

2. Charles Lewis; born 1904; died 1909 of spinal meningitis.

3. Hazel Irene; born July 1, 1907; graduated from Chambersburg High School. Member of Second Lutheran Church. Married Stuart A. Zimmerman, born in Fayetteville, Franklin County, Pa., April 13, 1906. Attended College. Family resides in Washington, N. J., where he is a Councilman in charge of finance for the past seven years, and is very active in town affairs. Operates an ice cream manufacturing plant, two retail stores, and about 30 wholesale shops. A Mason.

Issue: Two children —

1. Jeanne Marie Zimmerman, born March 28, 1926. Married Joseph F. Cunningham, born 1921 at Wilkes-Barre. There are two children by this marriage: Michael Lee Cunningham, born August 8, 1946; Colleen Cunningham, born November 22, 1947.

Jeanne and Joseph separated. Jeanne married Francis J. Benoit. Issue: a son.

2. Stuart A. Zimmerman, Jr., born July 26, 1930. Graduated from Mansfield State Teacher's College.

4. Howard Russell, born July 31, 1910. Graduated Chambersburg High School. Proprietor of Cut Rate Drug and Electric Appliance Store, Waynesboro, Pa. During World War II he was Airplane Inspector at Failchild, Hagerstown, Md. Planes had to have his O.K. before they left the hanger. Having mechanical talent he continued there and is now salvage engineer.

Married Mildred McClain, whose father and grandfather were well-known as proprietors of the hotels at St. Thomas and Eden-ville. Graduate of Chambersburg High School and a Graduate Nurse from the University of Pennsylvania Hospital. One son: Howard, Jr.

6. The sixth and last child of Charles and Emma (Wagner) Ludwig is Paul Charles; born May 18, 1884; died October 18, 1884.

### Jacob D. Ludwig

IX. The ninth child, Jacob D.; born February 19, 1949; died June 8, 1925. Educated in public schools, graduated from High



School, and pursued an academic course in mathematics and the classics under Rev. Dr. James F. Kennedy at Chambersburg Academy. Graduated from Eastman's National Commercial College at Poughkeepsie in 1871. Took private courses in English classics and elocution. He then entered into an engagement with the American Literary Bureau, Cooper Institute, New York, and for a brief period devoted himself to the lecture platform as an elocutionist, with marked success.

Fearing that his choice of a vocation would lead to his adoption of the stage as a profession, his father opposed the calling to which his tastes led him, and he was induced to return to Chambersburg, where he studied law under Hon. J. McDowell Sharpe. He entered the law office of his kinsman, Hon. William Walsh, at Cumberland, Md., and was admitted to the Allegheny, Md., Bar April 19, 1873. He remained with Mr. Walsh until the following December when, on account of the broken health of his father, he returned to his native town. He was admitted to the Franklin County Bar January 19, 1874, and practiced in Chambersburg. As a lawyer he soon gained high repute for his knowledge of the law and fidelity to his clients. He has represented many diversified interests in the courts. He has filled many public positions in the line of his profession, being attorney for the County Commissioners, 1879-81; attorney for Sheriff Gerbig, 1890-93, and Borough of Chambersburg, 1876-77, and again in 1889-93. While he was attorney the second time, he gained marked distinction by securing from the Legislature of Pennsylvania authority for boroughs and incorporated towns to engage in the manufacture of electricity for commercial purposes as well as for street lighting. This was pioneer legislation. At the request of the Town Council he drafted a bill to be submitted to the State Legislature at the session of 1891, the object of which was to give the inhabitants of the boroughs in this Commonwealth the right to manufacture and supply electricity as the boroughs then had the right to supply water and gas. Although some of the leading citizens and taxpayers opposed it, and carried the fight with determined opposition through the Supreme Court, Mr. Ludwig won the case and gained a great triumph.

While attorney for the County Commissioners, he succeeded in having a large sum of money refunded to the taxpayers of the County that had been collected as State tax after the repeal of the act authorizing its collection.

He made a specialty of the work undertaken by the three Building and Loan Associations and wrote two pamphlets, one detailing the system under the old method, and the other under the new method. In 1895 he visited Dayton, Ohio, to study the new system known as the Dayton Plan and upon his return called a public meeting of the citizens in the Court House in Chambersburg and organized the Mutual Loan and Savings Association under the Dayton Plan, which has been successful ever since.

Active in politics of the County, he had been a member or officer for 20 years of the Democratic County Committee, where he served frequently as chairman. A delegate to Democratic State Conventions since 1878. During President Cleveland's second term, all questions of appointments were referred to him by the Administration.

In addition to his gifts as an orator and advocate, he was a fluent writer. He became the purchaser of the Herald, an early daily newspaper published in Chambersburg, and changed the name to Franklin County Democrat. He was a sound lawyer, a wise counselor, an urbane gentleman and a public-spirited citizen.<sup>1</sup>

## JACOB'S DEATH

*(As told by PUBLIC OPINION June 9, 1925)*

Jacob D. Ludwig, who during his 76 years of life played many parts, died at a home in Philadelphia June 8, 1925. He moved to Philadelphia several years ago a broken man, after a career in town that included roles of a leading lawyer, a large real estate owner, a prominent Democrat and a good public official, President of Chambersburg Town Council.

Active in politics of the County, he was frequently a delegate to the Democratic State Convention, of which he served as chairman for a number of years. In 1889 he was the Democratic candidate for the State Senate. He became one of the purchasers of the Herald, an early daily newspaper published in town, and was its political editor.

Married February 10, 1879, to Lucy Belle (Britton) Zollinger, daughter of George Kurtz and Mary Jan (Britton) Zollinger of Upper Strasburg. Lucy was buried January 18, 1925, aged about 65 years. Issue: George Maynard; born July 8, 1880; died May 3, 1881. His grave is marked by a small tall shaft. Jacob and



Lucy lie in same lot in an unmarked grave in Cedar Grove Cemetery, near the main entrance along the fence at Franklin Street.

A violent storm lifted the roof from the Ludwig Building and landed it on top of the Central Presbyterian Church across the street. As the loss was covered by insurance, the church thought Jacob should remove the roof from the top of the church building. Jacob said, "I did not put it there. It was an act of God." The danger was in the roof sliding and damaging the stained glass windows. It cost the church \$100.00 to remove it. They built a scaffold and cut off the tin in strips. Previously there had been a very deep snow and the Borough Council ordered an eccentric old maid to remove the snow from her sidewalk. "Indeed," she said, "I did not put it there and I am not going to take it away neither." The people said John D. was as bad as the old maid.

He was not a charitable man. Indeed, he had many unlovely traits.

## Rev. Casimer Bowman Ludwig

*(See picture section)*

X. Rev. Casimer Bowman Ludwig, born at Chambersburg, Pa., February 21, 1851. <sup>1 7 10</sup>

Attended Gettysburg College, 1870-71. Zeta Psi Fraternity.<sup>7</sup> Attended Wittenberg College: Sophomore 1871-72; Junior 1872-73; Senior 1873-74; Graduated 1874, B.A. <sup>7 8 10</sup> one of 15 seniors. (J74-75, M75-76, S77-78) Yale Divinity School. <sup>7 10</sup>

1876—Ordained a Congregational Minister. <sup>9</sup>

1878-79—Williamston, Mich. (Minister). <sup>7 10</sup>

1879-80—Farwell and Clare, Mich. (Minister). <sup>10</sup>

1881-84—Secretary, Treasurer and Examiner of Public Schools, Garret County, Md. <sup>10</sup>

1885—Brighton and Rochester, Ohio (Minister) <sup>10</sup>

1887—New London, Ohio (Minister). <sup>10</sup>

1888—Lexington, Ohio (Minister) <sup>10</sup>

1889—Rock Falls, Illinois (Minister) <sup>10</sup>

1890—Huntley, Illinois (Minister) <sup>10</sup>

1891—Cambridge, Illinois (Minister) <sup>10</sup>

1892—Sedgwick St. Congregational Church, Chicago, Ill. (Minister) <sup>10</sup>

1893—New England Congregational Church, Chicago, Ill. (Asst. Minister) <sup>10</sup>

- 1894—Crescent City, Illinois (Minister) <sup>10</sup>
- 1895—Presbyterian Church, Neoga, Illinois (Minister) <sup>10</sup>
- 1895—Bonaparte, Iowa (Minister) <sup>10</sup> Evangelist <sup>10</sup>
- 1896-97—Fairfield, Iowa (without charge) <sup>11</sup>
- 1898—Forest Hill, Indiana (Evangelist) <sup>11</sup>
- 1899—Stated Supply <sup>11</sup>
- 1900-06—Indianapolis, Ind. (Evangelist, without charge) <sup>11</sup>
- 1909—Wimbledon, North Dakota (Presbyterian Church, Minister) <sup>11</sup>
- 1910—Without charge.
- 1911—Presbyterian Church, Whitewood, South Dakota (Stated Supply) <sup>11</sup>

Died November 9, 1911, buried at Whitewood, 60 years of age. <sup>11</sup> Residence at Forest Hill, Indiana <sup>10</sup>

Married Margaret L. Keller, daughter of George Keller <sup>17</sup> of Grantsville, Garrett County, Md., December 23, 1873.

Issue: George Daniel, Oscar Dennen, Clarence Darling, Mary Keller, Harold Freeman, Charles Paul, and Casimir B., Jr.

History says of Rev. Casimir B. that he was a brilliant man, an orator of unusual ability. Possessed with an irresistible propensity to travel, which is borne out by this sketch. Mrs. Casimir L. died October 1, 1918. Buried in Crown Hill Cemetery, Indianapolis, Ind., age 68 years.



## DESCENDANTS OF CASIMIR BOWMAN LUDWIG

- 2L10. Casimir Bowman Ludwig; born Feb. 21, 1851; died Nov. 9, 1911.  
Married Margaret L. Keller, Dec. 23, 1873.  
The oldest son, George Daniel, and his descendants comprise the California Branch of the Ludwig Family.
- 3L1. George Daniel; born Feb. 26, 1878. Married June 14, 1898, to Floy Hogg.  
The other six children of Casimir B. and Margaret L. Keller comprise the Indiana Branch of the Family.
- 3L2. Oscar Dennen; born Oct. 1, 1880.  
3L3. Clarence Darling; born Dec. 23, 1882; died Jan. 1919.  
3L4. Mary Keller; born Nov. 8, 1885.  
3L5. Harold Freeman; born July 17, 1888.  
3L6. Charles Paul; born Dec. 12, 1890; died Mar. 1891.  
3L7. Casimir Bowman, Jr.; born Jan. 29, 1893; died Jan. 15, 1942.

### THE CALIFORNIA BRANCH OF THE FAMILY

#### Children of George and Floy Hogg.

- 4L1. Marjorie; born Jan. 2, 1900.  
4L2. Irene; born Jan. 2, 1902.  
4L3. James Bayard; born Apr. 15, 1905.  
4L4. Dorothy; born May 10, 1907.  
4L5. Harold Raymond; born Oct. 8, 1911.  
4L6. Gertrude; born Dec. 2, 1915.  
4L7. Walter Keller; born June 28, 1919.  
4L8. George Daniel, Jr.; born July 6, 1925.

### THE INDIANA BRANCH OF THE LUDWIG FAMILY

- 3L2. Oscar Dennen, son of Casimir B. and Margaret L. Keller; married Oct. 1, 1880, to Emily Smith. No children.

- 3L3. Clarence Darling married Ivy Turner. 3 children —
- 4L1. Dorothy (deceased).
- 4L2. Howard.
- 4L3. Helen.
- 3L4. Mary Keller married H. F. Osler. Issue: 1 son—
- 4L1. Robert W.
- 3L5. Harold Freeman married Mary Blake. Issue: 2 children—
- 4L1. Blake.
- 4L2. Marylynn.
- 3L7. Casimir Bowman, Jr., was the seventh child of Casimir B. and Margaret L. Keller. Married Cecile Hindman. Issue: 1 daughter—
- 4L1. Margaret Ann.

#### THE CALIFORNIA BRANCH OF THE FAMILY

- 4L1. Marjorie, oldest child of George Daniel and Floy Hogg. Married, Oct. 22, 1922, Darryl Dean Clifford. Issue: 1 son—
- 5L1. James Roger Clifford; born June 9, 1924; died Nov. 25, 1951. Married, May 29, 1948, Joyce Day. Issue: 2 children—
- 6L1. Sheryl Ann; born Aug. 16, 1950.
- 6L2. Lesley Sue; born Apr. 7, 1952.
- 4L2. Irene married, Aug. 10, 1925, Cletus Charles Burns.
- 4L3. James married, Sept. 25, 1931, to Hazel Jacequiline Beguhl.
- 4L4. Dorothy married, Aug. 10, 1925, Allen Roy Robertson. Issue: 2 children—
- 5L1. Allen Roy Robertson, Jr.; born July 25, 1930; died Aug. 23, 1934.
- 5L2. Elaine Hope; born Dec. 1, 1932; married Dec. 2, 1950 to Alvin Leduc.
- 4L5. Harold Raymond married, Sept. 25, 1931, to Dorothy Symington. Issue: 2 children —
- 5L1. Carolee Ann; born Sept. 23, 1943.
- 5L2. Barbara Jean; born Oct. 4, 1946.
- 4L6. Gertrude; born Dec. 2, 1915.
- 4L7. Walter Keller married, Oct. 24, 1945, to Feri Szabados. Issue: Twins—



- 5L1. Dan Joseph; born Jan. 12, 1946.  
5L2. Jean Feri; born Jan. 12, 1946.  
4L8. George Daniel, Jr.; unmarried.

## Children of Casimir B. and Margaret L. Ludwig

### THE CALIFORNIA BRANCH OF THE FAMILY

Seven children were born: 6 boys and 1 girl.

I. The first child was George Daniel, born February 26, 1878. George farmed in Indiana and South Dakota and two years in California. Came there February 18, 1914, from Hitchcock, S. D., where he resided for nine years. Was custodian of Hughson Elementary School for 32 years, retiring after age 70 according to California law.

George D. and Floy Hogg were united in marriage at Forest Hill, Indiana, June 14, 1898, by Rev. Casimir B. Ludwig, father of the groom. Eight children were born to this union:

1. Majorie, born January 2, 1900, at Forest Hill, Indiana. Majorie and Darryl Dean Clifford were married October 22, 1922, at the home of the bride in Hughson, California. Clifford is a native Californian and a veteran of World War I. They reside in Oakland, Calif.

Their son James Roger Clifford, born June 9, 1924, at San Jose, Calif., was married to Joyce Day, May 29, 1948, but passed away November 25, 1951, at Children's Hospital, San Francisco, of bulbar polio. James and Joyce Clifford were the parents of Sheryl Ann, born August 16, 1950, and Lesley Sue, born April 7, 1952, both at Berkeley, Calif.

2. The second child of George D. and Floy was Irene, born January 2, 1902, at Forest Hills, Indiana. She was united in marriage to Cletus Charles Burns, August 10, 1925, at the home of the bride in Hughson, Calif. Burns was born and raised in San Jose, Calif., and they have resided there ever since their marriage. Irene is a schoolteacher, and taught for several years in the elementary schools, but for the past twenty years she taught in the Tubercular Ward at the Santa Clara County Hospital.

3. The third child of George D. and Floy was James Bayard, born April 15, 1905, at Forest Hill, Indiana, and was united in marriage September 25, 1931, to Hazel Jacqueline Beguhl, in Ely, Nevada.

4. The fourth child of George D. and Floy was Dorothy, born May 10, 1907, at Hitchcock, S. D., and was married to Allen Roy Robertson on August 10, 1925, in Merced, Calif. They separated January 1933. Two children were born to this union:

Allen Roy Robertson, Jr.; born July 25, 1930, in Los Angeles, Calif.; passed away, August 23, 1934, at University Hospital, San Francisco, Calif., of leukemia.

The other child, Elaine Hope Robertson, born December 1, 1932, at Los Angeles, was married to Alvin Leduc of Modeste, Calif., December 2, 1950, at Westminster Presbyterian Church, Sacramento, Calif. Dorothy Ludwig Robertson and John Lewis DeGrosse were married July 14, 1940, at Westminster Presbyterian Church, Sacramento.

5. The fifth child of George D. and Floy was Harold Raymond, born October 8, 1911, at Hitchcock, S. Dakota, and was married to Dorothy Symington at Reno, Nevada, September 25, 1931. Issue: Carolee Ann, born in Deming, New Mexico, September 23, 1943, and Barbara Jean, born October 4, 1946, in Oakland, California.

6. The sixth child of George D. and Floy is Gertrude, born December 2, 1915, at Hughson, California. Unmarried.

7. The seventh child of George D. and Floy is Walter Keller, born June 28, 1919, at Hughson, Calif., and was married to Feri Szabados at Chicago Temple, First Methodist Church, October 24, 1945. Both were serving in the armed forces at the time of their marriage — Feri in the Army Air Force, and Walter in U. S. M. C. as an airplane mechanic, and still continues at this, working on jets for Lockheed Airplane Company, at Palmdale, Calif. Twins born January 12, 1946, in Cleveland, Ohio, to Teresa Szabados L. and Walter Keller Ludwig: Dan Joseph and Jean Feri (a boy and a girl).

8. The eighth child of George D. and Floy is George Daniel, Jr., born July 6, 1925, at Hughson, Calif. Unmarried.

All these children are living and reside in California.

Other six children of Casimer B. and Margaret —

#### THE INDIANA BRANCH OF THE FAMILY

II. The second child of Casimir B. Ludwig and Margaret was Oscar Dennen, a Physician and Surgeon at Indianapolis, Indiana;



born October 1, 1880; married to Emily Smith. Attended Wabash College, Crawfordsville, Indiana. Graduated from the Indiana University School of Medicine in 1910. A member of the Indianapolis Medical Society, State Medical and American Medical Associations, and a member of the American Academy of General Practice. Phi Rho Sigma Medical Fraternity and a 32nd degree Mason; Paul Coble American Legion Post No. 26, a Captain, Army Medical Corps in World War I. Received a Congressional Medal of Honor for service in World War II.

There are no children.

III. The third child of Casimir B. and Margaret was Clarence Darling, Contractor, born December 23, 1882, and died January 1919. Married to Ivy Turner. Issue: 3 children — Dorothy (deceased), Howard and Helen.

IV. The fourth child of Casimir B. and Margaret was Mary Keller, born November 8, 1885; married to H. F. Osler, a consulting engineer at Indianapolis, Ind. Still living. They have one son, Robert W.

V. The fifth child of Casimir B. and Margaret is Harold Freeman, born July 17, 1888. He is a graduate of Valparaiso University, Indiana. Married to May Blake. He is Civil Engineer at Indianapolis, Ind. They have two children: Blake and Marylynn.

VI. The sixth child of Casimir B. and Margaret was Charles Paul; born December 12, 1890; died March 1891 in Chicago.

VII. The seventh child of Casimir B. and Margaret is Casimir Bowman, Jr.; born January 29, 1893, at Crescent City, Ill., and died January 15, 1942. Dr. Ludwig had been a resident of Indianapolis for 30 years. He was a member of the Indianapolis Dental association. He attended Huron College in South Dakota and was graduated from Indiana University School in dentistry. Dr. Ludwig was a member of the Masonic Lodge at New Palestine. He served in the Army in World War I. (Indianapolis Star, Jan. 16, 1942, page 16). Casimir B., Jr., was married October 19, 1919, to Cecile Hindman, and they have a daughter, Margaret Ann.

He was buried in Crown Hill Cemetery.

XI. Christiana Anna; born September 11, 1852; died April 10, 1886. Married December 5, 1874, to Myron Homer Shirey

(born, November 23, 1853; died March 25, 1908), of Greencastle, Pa., and was proprietor of Indian Queen Hotel. Issue:

XI. Dr. Orville Ludwig Shirey, druggist, of Cumberland, Md., who was born December 25, 1876, died January 21, 1926. Married Olive Florence Powell, of Cumberland, Md., October 7, 1914. Issue: two children—

1. John; born January 5, 1920; died January 10, 1920.

2. Orville Cresap, born January 11, 1922. Graduated from University of Maryland in June 1941. 2nd Lieutenant in World War II, serving with the 442nd Combat Team. At the end of the war he wrote "American"—the story of the 442nd Combat Team—published by the Infantry Journal Press; worked for the Journal, now the U. S. Army Combat Forces Journal as Infantry Editor. Major in the Infantry USAR. Married Maud Lee Wilson of Cumberland, Md., September 23, 1946. Children: Michael Cresap, born June 28, 1949, and Orville Nelson, born February 10, 1952. They live at 2103 Windham Place, Silver Spring, Md.

NOTE: After Christiana Ann's death, Myron Homer Shirey married Susan Kate Fisher (nee Elliott), November 23, 1887. A daughter, Hazel Jean, was born April 10, 1890, who married Charles R. Yates, after her father's death, and they lived in Chicago, Ill. They had a daughter, Muriel. Hazel died December 22, 1953. While this is not the Ludwig line, this explanation is necessary in order to understand the relationship. 1920 address Mrs. C. R. Yates, 1165 E. 61st St., Chicago, Ill.

XII. Edward; born August 1855; died August 1895. Got into bad company, did some drinking and got into trouble in Hagerstown, Md. His two companions, south of Dixie Line, took advantage of the feeling between North and South and blamed everything on the "Yankee." Edward got the works. Jacob went to the court trial and pleaded in Edward's behalf. Did Edward appreciate his speech? Most certainly not! He said afterward, "If Jake had talked ten minutes longer they would have hung me."

After his term expired he operated a restaurant in the Ludwig building on Memorial Square and lived a reputable life. One day when Jacob was in the restaurant, Edward went after him (hammer and tongs, so to speak) about the money due him under the terms of their father's Will. Only the intervention of Fred W. saved Jacob from something serious happening. Edward never received his money. He is buried in the family plot in Cedar Grove Cemetery.



XIII. The thirteenth child of George and Mary Shane Ludwig was Emma Elizabeth; born October 25, 1857; died October 21, 1945, the last of her family to pass away. She operated a millinery store in Chambersburg and Atlantic City. She took charge of her father's household affairs and, until the time of his departure, watched over her aged father with loving care. Resided many years in Philadelphia where she died. Emma was good-hearted in her own way, but very brusque at times in dealing with customers in her millinery store. On one occasion a customer returned with a hat. She said, "Miss Emma, I don't like this hat. I don't look good in it." Emma replied, "Well, I guess you would look good in it if you had another face." On another occasion with a similar complaint, Emma told the customer that she "couldn't make a peach out of a rotten apple."

Emma is buried in family plot in Cedar Grove Cemetery.

XIV. The last child was Anna Amelia; born April 8, 1861; died February 29, 1862.

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### LINE OF MARTIN (See page 34)

Vera E. and Harry Stoner. Vera E. was born March 8, 1885 and is now retired after 10 years at Bryn Mawr College. Vera says, "I have an apartment and live alone. Like the horse 'Nashua,' I'm out in clover and love it." Resides at Bryn Mawr. Married Frank Clinton Smythe, now deceased, a civil engineer, graduate of Princeton. Issue: 3 children —

1. Mily Anne Smythe (Sampson) lives in Bloomington, Indiana, and has a son Milo Bostwick, born November 4, 1940.

2. John Barclay Smythe lives at Newton, Penna., R. D. 2, and has two sons, Richard Lawrence born May 4, 1948, and Robert Clinton, born January 29, 1950.

3. Alexander Barclay Smythe lives at Rosemont, Penna. Married. No children.

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NELLIE FISHER FOREMAN OLTMAN

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## FAMILY RECORD

- 1L1. Philip Ludwig and Mary E. Becker were married in 1832.  
They had the following children —
  - 2L1. Kate (Cassie; died Nov. 10, 1916.
  - 2L2. John
  - 2L3. Mary (Sis).
  - 2L4. George.
  - 2L5. Emma; born Dec. 17, 1859; died Sept. 22, 1945.
  
- 2L1. Kate (Cassie), oldest daughter of Philip Ludwig and Mary E. Becker, married Henry Hartley in Hanover, Germany.  
They had 4 children, of which there are 2 living —
  - 3L1. Mary, daughter of Kate and Henry Hartley, married Charles Foy. Issue: 2 children—
    - 4L1. Louise.
    - 4L2. Frederick; has 4 children (information refused).
  - 3L2. Emma, daughter of Kate and Henry Hartley, married F. Mampoling and settled in McKeesport, Pa. They were the parents of nine children, of which 4 are living. —
    - 4L1. Mrs. Flora Carlson, McKeesport.
    - 4L2. Mrs. Marie Cothery, Glassport.
    - 4L3-4L4. Two sons, addresses unknown.
  
- 2L2. John, son of Philip Ludwig and Mary E. Becker, married and had three children; living in Oil City, Pa.—
  - 3L1. Minnie.
  - 3L2. George.
  - 3L3. John.
  
- 2L3. Mary, daughter of Philip Ludwig and Mary E. Becker, married Joseph Adams and lived in Carlisle, Pa. Issue: 1 child —
  - 3L1. Rose, who married Mr. Taylor. Issue: 13 children, of which there are two living—
    - 4L1. Rose.
    - 4L2. Fred.

- 2L4. George, youngest son of Philip Ludwig and Mary E. Becker, married and had 1 son; a daughter died.
- 3L1. George Philip, who married Lila Reed of Spring Run. They had 4 children — two died — one of them William.
- 4L1. Laura, who married Theodore Rosenberry; no children.
- 4L2. Merle, who married and had one daughter —
- 5L1. Carolyn.
  
- 2L5. The youngest daughter of Philip Ludwig and Mary E. Becker was Emma, who married John A. Evans. They were the parents of 11 children —
- 3L1. Mary C.; born August 22, 1876.
- 3L2. George Ludwig; born Sept. 14, 1878.
- 3L3. Charles Albert (Tom); born Oct. 17, 1880.
- 3L4. Helen E.; born Feb. 12, 1883; died 1950.
- 3L5. Carrie (Judy); born Nov. 21, 1885.
- 3L6. Ruth A.; born Jan. 19, 1888.
- 3L7. Margaret M.; born Feb. 6, 1891.
- 3L8. Herbert Lyle; born Sept. 29, 1894; died Jan. 16, 1955.
- 3L9. Edna D.; born Aug. 19, 1897.
- 3L10. Emma M.; born Oct. 14, 1900.
- 3L11. Pauline H.; born June 28, 1904.
  
- 3L1. Mary C. married Francis Pickle who burned to death in California while raking leaves. Issue: 2 children —
- 4L1. Allen.
- 4L2. Arthur.
  
- 3L2. George Ludwig married Tillie Kaufman of Chambersburg, and had one daughter —
- 4L1. Hazel, who married Ray Houser. Issue: 4 children —
- 5L1. Robert.
- 5L2. Richard.
- 5L3. Thomas.
- 5L4. Jack.
  
- 3L3. Charles Albert (Tom), son of Emma Ludwig and John A. Evans, was married to Claudia Glass. They are the parent sof 9 children —
- 4L1. Helen, who married Frank Stred. Issue: 2 children —
- 5L1. Norma.
- 5L2. Frank, Jr.
- 4L2. Janet, who married David Ott. Issue: 2 children —



- 5L1. David, Jr.
- 5L2. Sherrill.
- 4L3. Ralph; single.
- 4L4. Evelyn, who married C. W. Hildebrand from Virginia.  
Issue: 3 children —
- 5L1. Susanne.
- 5L2. Carl.
- 5L3. Timothy.
- 4L5. Audrey, who married Howard Watson. Issue: 3 children—
- 5L1. Judith.
- 5L2. Deborah.
- 5L3. Cynthia.
- 4L6. Blanche; single.
- 4L7. Adelaide, who married Fred Crider. Issue: 2 children —
- 5L1. Thomas.
- 5L2. Margaret Ann (Peggy).
- 4L8. Marcella, daughter of Charles Albert (Tom) and Claudia  
Glass, married the well-known undertaker of Chambers-  
burg, Robert Gibbs Sellers. Issue: 3 children —
- 5L1. Robert, Jr.
- 5L2. Roberta.
- 5L3. Allen.
- 4L9. Betty Mae, who married Harold Bowen. Issue: 3 children—
- 5L1. Claudia.
- 5L2. Carol.
- 5L3. Charles.
- 3L4. The fourth child of Emma Ludwig and John A. Evans is  
Helen E., who married Harry L. Tolbert and are the  
parents of 7 children —
- 4L1. Robert.
- 4L2. William.
- 4L3. Helen.
- 4L4. Harry, Jr.
- 4L5. Isabel; schoolteacher.
- 4L6. John.
- 4L7. Emma.
- 4L1. Robert, the first child of Helen E. and Harry L. Tolbert,  
married Eva Knuckles. Issue: 6 children —
- 5L1. Josephine.
- 5L2. Robert, Jr.

- 5L3. Rodney.
- 5L4. Ralph.
- 5L5. Loretta.
- 5L6. Michael.
- 5L1. Josephine, daughter of Robert and Eva Knuckles, married James Littleton. Issue: 1 daughter —
- 6L1. Deborah.
- 5L2. Robert, Jr., son of Robert and Evan Knuckles, married Van Hoose. Issue: 1 daughter —
- 6L1. Robin.
- 5L3. Rodney, married Joan Wagner. No children.
- 4L4. Harry, Jr., son of Helen E. and Harry L. Tolbert, married Marjorie Watson. Issue: 2 children.
- 5L1. Harry.
- 5L2. Sharee.
- 4L6. John, son of Helen E. and Harry L. Tolbert, married Martha Vanderau. Issue: 2 children —
- 5L1. Judith (Judy).
- 5L2. Saundra (Sandy).
- 4L6. John's second wife was Nordale Meredith. Issue: 1 daughter —
- 5L3. Teresa.
- 4L7. Last child was Emma, who married Francis Smith.
- 3L5. Carrie (Judy), daughter of Emma Ludwig and John A. Evans, married John N. Teesdale. Issue: 5 children —
- 4L1. Northen Evans.
- 4L2. Eleanor.
- 4L3. Jeanne.
- 4L4. Eve.
- 4L5. David.
- 4L1. Northen Evans married Edith Harcom, Bristol, England. Issue: 2 children —
- 5L1. Wendy.
- 5L2. Garry.
- 4L2. Eleanor married John Coan. Issue: 1 child —
- 5L1. Eve.
- 4L3. Jeanne, daughter of Carrie (Judy) and John N. Teesdale, married G. Biddle Young. Issue: 2 children —
- 5L1. Burnis.



- 5L2. John.
- 4L4. Eve married Edward Thompson. Issue: 2 children —
- 5L1. Bruce.
- 5L2. Philip.
- 4L5. David, youngest child, married Lois Helm. Issue: 1 child—
- 5L1. Linda.
  
- 3L6. Ruth A., daughter of Emma M. and John A. Evans, married Mr. Raffenger in Hagerstown. Issue: 5 children—
- 4L1. John.
- 4L2. Mildred.
- 4L3. Dorothy.
- 4L4. Harry.
- 4L5. Herbert.
  
- 3L7. Margaret M., married Paul Eckard. Issue: 1 son —
- 4L1. Richard, who married Lillian McLintock of Philadelphia. Issue: 4 children.
- 5L1. Douglas.
- 5L2. Christine.
- 5L3. Donald.
- 5L4. Sandra.
  
- 3L8. Herbert Lyle, son of Emma M. and John A. Evans, married Kathryn Barnhart. Issue: 12 children —
- 4L1. Thelma Bell.
- 4L2. Frances Margaret.
- 4L3. John Richard.
- 4L4. Herbert Lyle, Jr.
- 4L5. George Ludwig.
- 4L6. Robert Wade.
- 4L7. Virginia Arlene.
- 4L8. Paul Barnhart.
- 4L9. Bruce Samuel; deceased.
- 4L10. Mildred Ruth.
- 4L11. Harry Edmund; single.
- 4L12. Norita Kathryn; single.
  
- 4L1. Thelma Bell married Ned M. Short. Issue: 1 son —
- 5L1. Ned M. Jr., who married Beatrice Acosta of Panama. Issue: 2 daughters —
- 6L1. Peggy Lee.

- 6L2. Hazel Kathryn married Rodney of York, Pa. Issue: 5 children —
- 7L1. Donna Jeanne.
- 7L2. Brenda Joyce.
- 7L3. Linda Luanne.
- 7L4. Sharon Sue.     }  
7L5. Karen Kim.     } Twins
- 4L2. Frances Margaret married Robert E. Short (brother of Ned). Issue: 7 children —
- 5L1. Robert.
- 5L2. Bonita.
- 5L3. Barry.
- 5L4. Dennis.
- 5L5. Roxanne.
- 5L6. Michael.
- 5L7. Ralph.
- 4L3. John Richard married Evelyn Hoffmaster, York, Pa. Issue: 4 children —
- 5L1. Joanne.
- 5L2. Deborah.
- 5L3. John.
- 5L4. Thelma.
- 4L4. Herbert Lyle, Jr.; deceased.
- 4L5. George Ludwig married Vera Stoner. 3 foster children—Jackie, Patsy, and James.
- 4L6. Robert Wade married Mary Kathryn Bryant, Arkanses. Issue: 2 children —
- 5L1. Roberta.
- 5L2. Herbert.
- 4L7. Virginia Arlene married Murl M. Hoke, Jr., York, Penna. Issue: 2 children —
- 5L1. Virginia.
- 5L2. Dolores.
- 4L8. Paul Barnhart married Mary Lou Ficchi, Philadelphia.
- 5L1. Paul.
- 5L2. James.
- 4L10. Mildred Ruth married Joseph Ficchi (brother of Mary Lou). Thus Mildred and Paul married brother and sister.
- 3L9. Edna D. married Edward Guest. No children.



- 3L10. Emma M., daughter of Emma M. Ludwig and John A. Evans, married John Rhoades. Issue: 2 children —
- 4L1. Emily.
- 4L2. Margaret.
- 4L1. Emily married Frank Darrah, Philadelphia. Issue: 2 children —
- 5L1. Stephen.
- 5L2. Margaret.

## PART III

### PHILIP LUDWIG

Philip, brother of John George, was also born in Lichtenberg Village, Hesse-Darmstadt, Germany, in 1812, and died October 16, 1879. As both Philip and John George emigrated to America in 1832 and both landed in Baltimore, the brothers must have emigrated together. Philip married Mary E. Becker, a nurse, in 1832 in Germany, where she took care of his mother in her last illness (sleeping sickness). They came to America on their wedding trip and did not return. Philip lived in Baltimore five years and worked as a boiler-maker, making jackets for engines. Then they moved to Chambersburg, Pa. Mary died very suddenly in 1873 and Philip then lived with his daughter, Emma, who was only 14 years old when Mary passed away. They are buried in the new section of Cedar Grove Cemetery.

Philip worked at his trade in the foundry at T. B. Wood's, manufacture of power transmitting machinery. He had blue eyes and black hair. Mary had light olive skin, brown eyes and brown hair. Issue: five children — Kate (called Cassie), John, Mary, George, and Emma.

1. Kate (Cassie), oldest child of Philip and Mary E. Becker Ludwig, married Henry Hartley, who was born in Hanover, Germany. They moved to Ohio and he enlisted in the Civil War and was killed in the Battle of Corinth, Tenn., in 1862. Kate moved back to Chambersburg, and lived with her parents. Issue: four children, of which two survived — Mary and Emma. Kate had very vivid recollections of her experiences in the Civil War, at the time of the burning of Chambersburg, July 30, 1864, by the Rebels. The men were gone to war — the women and children and old men like Philip were left. Kate and her sister Mary (Sis Adams) went with some more young girls and people to the Warehouse in Chambersburg and broke in and rolled out the barrels of hard tack and barrels of old dried-up ham. They rolled the barrels to the Court House and to the Station, where they were bringing in the wounded soldiers, and fed them. Many had



no arms nor legs and they were brought in on flat cars, the blood streaming through the cracks of the car down to the ground. They cooked for them and fed them, and in one case Mary Adams fed one young man who had no arms or legs, and was about dying when he was brought in. He passed away with his head on her lap. The Doctor and Minister were with him.

Afterward, Kate (Cassie) Hartley married Frantz Nolte, who died in June 1903. No children to this marriage. Mr. Nolte possessed a valuable medal which he earned as a body guard for the Pope in Rome. When he was discharged with honors he received this medal and brought it with him to America. Mrs. Nolte intrusted that to someone to show to one of the Priests of St. Peter's and Paul's Catholic Church here. Well, no one could find it when it was time to return it. She spent over \$500.00 to recover it, without success.

Kate (Cassie) died November 10, 1916. She went out to visit her daughter Emma (Mrs. Mampoling) and died in McKeesport. Emma died five days previously, November 5, 1916.

Mary, daughter of Kate and Henry Hartley, married Charles Foy. Issue: 2 children — Louise and Frederick, who have four children and live at 2628 N. 9th St., Philadelphia. He is a college graduate and Civil Engineer. Mary died January 14, 1934.

Louise Foy married Walter Garman, November 21, 1934, who died December 27, 1935. Afterward Louise married George Lutz, November 8, 1940, who died July 20, 1944. Both were fine Christian men. Louise is a graduate of Temple University—took up Christian Service and majored in German and French. Also graduated from the Philadelphia School of the Bible. She is an active worker in Baptist Temple Church, founded by Dr. Russell Conway, and sings in the Chorus which broadcasts every Sunday over station UJMJ. She was married both times from this church. Has a fine position, having charge of 23 girls. She lives at 2821 North 11th St., Philadelphia 33. Louise furnished much of this history, as she inherited the Family Bible brought from Germany by her great grandparents, Philip and Mary E. Becker Ludwig. Also their pictures and some confidential letters, but refused their pictures for this history.

Emma, the other daughter of Kate (Cassie) Ludwig and Henry married F. Mampoling and settled in McKeesport, Pa. Issue: Nine children, of which 4 are living. Mrs. Flora Carlson, 710 Fairview Ave., McKeesport; Mrs. Marie Cothery, 410 Ohio Ave., Glassport, Pa. Also two sons, addresses unknown.

2. John, son of Philip and Mary E. Becker Ludwig, was a tin-smith and served through the Civil War with many experiences and much transferring to various places. He lived in Chambersburg and had a wife and 3 children—Minnie, George, and John. He walked out one day and never came back. No trace of him could ever be found. Some years later wife and children moved to Oil City, Pa., where she married again.

3. Mary, daughter of Philip and Mary E. Becker, was called "Sis"; married Joseph Adams and lived in Carlisle, Pa. Issue: one child, Rose, married Mr. Taylor, a man the family was not interested in, as he was very shiftless. They had 13 children, of which there are still two living — Rosa and Fred Taylor. Mary Ludwig Adams died years ago. Daughter Rose had died previously.

4. George, son of Philip and Mary, lived in Chambersburg. Had 2 children. Wife and little girl died. Only one son, George Philip, survived, who with his mother lived with Philip's family during the Civil War.

George P. and Lila Reed Ludwig had 4 children. Two died, one of whom was William. Two survived — Laura and Merle — who live at Spring Run, Franklin County, Pa.

George Philip was married to Lila Reed of Spring Run, Pa., daughter of George and Sophia Smith Reed. Lila was born September 23, 1869, and was a member of the Spring Run Evangelical United Brethren Church and the Women's Society of World Service of the church. She died at Chambersburg Hospital, November 8, 1954. About five years ago she had fallen and broken her hip and was in a wheelchair ever since. She died after an illness of two and a half weeks, and was buried at Spring Run Cemetery.

Laura married Theodore Rosenberry. No children.

Merle married. Issue: daughter, Carolyn.

5. The youngest child of Philip and Mary E. Becker Ludwig was Emma; born December 17, 1859; died September 22, 1945. Married John A. Evans, carpenter; born July 18, 1851; died April 6, 1908. The ancestor of the Evans family was Edward and Mary (Nitterhouse) Evans. Edward was also a native of Hamilton Township and his ancestors were among the pioneers of Franklin County.

Emma was 17 years old when she married. Issue: 11 children —



1. Mary; 2. George (Caesar); 3. Charles Albert (Tom); 4. Helen; 5. Ruth; 6. Carrie; 7. Margaret; 8. Herbert; 9. Edna; 10. Emma; 11. Pauline.

1. First child of Emma and John Evans was Mary C., born August 22, 1876, who married Francis Pickle who burned to death in California while raking leaves. Issue: Allen and Arthur.

2. George Ludwig Evans (nickname Caesar), born September 14, 1878, married Tillie Kauffman of Chambersburg. Daughter Hazel, who married Ray Houser who worked for Pennsylvania Railroad and was burned to death when he went in a house afire to save a neighbor's baby. Acclaimed a hero.

Ray and Hazel had 4 children — Robert, Richard, Thomas, and Jack. Afterward George L. married Bess Richter of Chambersburg.

3. The third child of Emma Ludwig and John A. Evans was Charles Albert (Tom), born October 17, 1880. Married Claudia Glass and lives at 131 W. King Street, Chambersburg. Issue: Nine children — 1. Helen; 2. Janet; 3. Ralph; 4. Evelyn; 5. Audrey; 6. Blanche; 7. Adelaide; 8. Marcella; 9. Betty Mae.

1. Helen married Frank Stred. Issue: Norma, Frank, Jr., and Martha.

2. Janet married David Ott. Issue: David, Jr. and Sherrill.

3. Ralph; single.

4. Evelyn married C. W. Hildebrand from Virginia. Issue: Susanne, Carl and Timothy.

5. Audrey married Howard Watson. Issue: Judith, Deborah and Cynthia.

6. Blanche; single.

7. Adelaide married Fred Crider. Issue: Thomas and Margaret Ann (Peggy).

8. Marcella married Robert Gibbs Sellers, undertaker. Issue: Robert, Jr., Roberta and Allen.

9. Betty Mae married Harold Bowen. Issue: Claudia, Carol and Charles.

4. The fourth child of Emma Ludwig and John A. Evans is Helen E.; born February 12, 1883; died 1950. Married Harry L. Tolbert; born 1887; died 1944; son of Robert Tolbert. Lives at 138 E. Washington St., Chambersburg, Pa. Issue: 7 children— 1. Robert; 2. William; 3. Helen; 4. Harry, Jr.; 5. Isabel; 6. John; 7. Emma.

The first child, Robert, married Eva Knuckles. Issue: six children — 1. Josephine; 2. Robert, Jr.; 3. Rodney; 4. Ralph; 5. Loretta; 6. Michael.

1. Josephine married James Littleton; live at Silver Springs, Md. Issue: one daughter, Deborah.

2. Robert, Jr., married Ramona Van Hoose. One daughter, Robin.

3. Rodney married Joan Wagner. No children.

4. Ralph; 5. Loretta; 6. Michael.

2. Second child of Helen and Harry Tolbert is William.

3. Third child of Helen and Harry Tolbert is Helen (deceased).

4. Harry, Jr., married Marjorie Watson. Issue: Harry and Sharee.

5. Isabel; schoolteacher; lives at 431 S. 4th St., Chambersburg.

6. John married Martha Vanderau. Issue: Judith (Judy) and Sandra (Sandy). John's second wife was Nordale Meredith. Issue: daughter Teresa.

7. The last child of Helen and Harry Tolbert is Emma, who married Francis Smith. No children.

5. The fifth child of Emma Ludwig and John A. Evans is Carrie (Judy), born November 21, 1885. Married John N. Teesdale and lives at Florida Park, Newton Square, Pa.

Children of John Teesdale and Carrie Evans:

1. Northen Evans Teesdale married Edith Harcom, Bristol, England. Two children — Wendy and Garry.

2. Eleanor Teesdale married John Coan. One child — Eve.

3. Jeanne Teesdale married G. Biddle Young. Issue: Two children — Burnis and John.

4. Eve Teesdale married Edward Thompson. Issue: Two children — Bruce and Phillip.

5. David Teesdale married Lois Helm. Issue: One child, Linda.

6. The sixth child of Emma Ludwig and John A. Evans is Ruth A., born January 19, 1888. Married Mr. Raffenberg in Hagerstown. Ruth is now deceased. Issue: John, Mildred, Dorothy, Harry, and Herbert.

7. Margaret M., daughter of Emma Ludwig and John A. Evans; born February 6, 1891. Married Paul Echard. Lives at 623 Kenilworth Road, Ardmore, Pa. Margaret has been a widow since 1920, having lost her husband, age 26, in the flu epidemic. Son Paul Richard Eckard was raised in Girard College. She is



employed by a well-known Philadelphia specialist, and spends two months of the summer in the Catskill Mountains.

Richard married Lillian McLintock of Philadelphia. Children are Douglas, Christine, Donald, and Sandra.

8. The eighth child of Emma Ludwig and John A. Evans is Herbert Lyle, born September 29, 1894. Married Kathryn Barnhart and lives at 2420 Jarden Terrace, Passyunk, Philadelphia 45. Issue: Twelve children. Herbert died suddenly of a heart attack January 16, 1955.

1. Thelma Bell married Ned M. Short, son of Isaac and Hazel Short, of Chambersburg. Issue: a son, Ned M. Short, Jr., who married Beatrice Acosta of Panama, and have a daughter Peggy Lee. A daughter, Hazel Kathryn Short, married Rodney of York, Pa., and have five children — Donna Jeanne, Brenda Joyce, Linda Luanne, and twins — Sharon Sue and Karen Kim.

2. Frances Margaret married Robert E. Short, son of Isaac and Hazel Short of Chambersburg (thus Ned and Robert are brothers). Issue: seven children — Robert, Bonita, Barry, Dennis, Roxanne, Michael and Ralph.

3. John Richard married Rachel Keltner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Keltner of Chambersburg. After they separated, John R. married Evelyn Hoffmaster, daughter of William Hoffmaster, York, Pa. Issue: four children — Joanne, Deborah, John, and Thelma.

4. Herbert Lyle Evans, Jr.; deceased.

5. George Ludwig Evans married Vera Stoner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Stoner of Chambersburg. Their foster children are Jackie, Patsy, and James.

6. Robert Wade married Mary Kathryn Bryant, daughter of William Bryant, Arkansas. Issue: Two children — Roberta and Herbert.

7. Virginia Arlene married Murl M. Hoke, Jr., son of Murl Hoke, Sr., of York, Pa. Issue: Virginia and Dolores.

8. Paul Barnhart married Mary Lou Ficchi, daughter of Joseph Ficchi of Philadelphia. Issue: Paul and James.

9. Bruce Samuel Evans; deceased.

10. Mildred Ruth Evans married Joseph Ficchi, Philadelphia. (Paul and Mildred married brother and sister.)

11. Harry Edmund Evans; single; at home.

12. Norita Kathryn Evans; single; at home.

9. Edna D., born August 19, 1897, married Edward Guest, and lives at Angora Terrace, 5500, Philadelphia. No children.

10. Emma M., born October 14, 1900, married John Rhoades, and lives at 1428 N. Edgewood St., West Philadelphia. Two children — Emily and Margaret. Emily married Frank Darrah, Philadelphia, and has two children — Stephen and Margaret. Emily's husband, Frauk, died in the Fall of 1954 at the early age of 33. On the day of the funeral Emma was taken from the church to the hospital for an emergency operation.

Margaret married Robert Rowland. No children.

11. The last child was Pauline H., born June 28, 1904. Married Joseph Abello, and lives in New Brunswick, N. J. No children.

























